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OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church

IN THE

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

Held in St. Andrew's Church, in the City of Philadelphia,

On Tuesday, May 21, Wednesday, May 22, and Thursday, May 23, 1839.

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OF THE

CLERGY AND LAY DEPUTIES

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

CLERGY.

Right Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D.
* Rev. Jas. Abercrombie, D.D.
William Adderly,
Frederick W. Beasley,
Samuel Bowman,
George Boyd,
Thomas Breintnall,
William Bryant,
Edward Y. Buchanan,
Levi Bull,
John A. Clark,
John B. Clemson,
John Coleman,
Thomas Crumpton,
Robert Davis,
Benjamin Dorr,
Jacob M. Douglass,
George C. Drake,
Henry W. Ducachet,
Walter E. Franklin,
Lyman N. Freeman,
* Patrick H. Greenleaf,
William Hilton,
* John J. Kerr,
* Bryan B. Killikelly,
Rev. George Kirke,
* William B. Lacey,
Freeman Lane,
Samuel T. Lord,
Alfred Louderback,
* James May,
* Tobias H. Michell,
Alfred A. Miller,
George Mintzer,
Richard U. Morgan,
Henry J. Morton,
George W. Natt,
William S. Perkins,
Greenbury W. Ridgely,
John Rodney,
Joshua M. Rogers,
George Sheets,
Isaac Smith,
William Suddards,
Mortimer R. Talbot,
Stephen H. Tyng,
George Upfold,
William White,
* Bird Wilson,
Edwin W. Wiltbank,
James Wiltbank, 51.

N. B. Those whose names are marked thus * were not present at the Convention.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Wm. Alexander,
Lewis R. Ashhurst,
John W. Ashmead,
Fredk. D. Baker,
C. N. Bancker,
Jesse Bean,
Horace Binney,
Hill Brinton,
Clement Brook,
Thos. K. Bull,
Durden B. Carter,
Henry W. Chadwick,
Benj. Chew,
Herman Cope,
*Peter Dampman,
*Edward Davies,
Wm. Cox Ellis,
*Edward Evans,
*John C. Evans,
John Farr,
John D. George,
James Goodman,
Peter Gwinner,
Charles V. Hagner,
George Harrison,
R. C. Hale,
Thos. S. Henderson,
Robt. C. Hill,
*Robt. E. Hobart,
*James Hooven,
*E. P. Hughes,
John Hunter,
Martin Ivens,
Thomas B. Jacobs.
*Phineas Jenks,
Benjamin F. Johnson,
*Jno. Gifford Johnson,
James Johnson,
Jonathan Jones,
Jesse M. Justis,
Jas. C. Kempton,
John W. Kester,
Wm. Kirkham,
Wm. H. Klapp,
Lawrence S. Lardner,
*John Larkin, jr.,
G. W. Layng,
Wm. Letford,
John S. Littell,
George Lodge,
*Morton McMichael,
*Robt. McNeal,
Edwin Mendenhall,
Wm. Meredith,
*Benj. C. Mitchell,
*David Morgan,
*Abner Morris,
Wm. H. Newbold,
P. H. Nicklin,
Wm. Overington,
Richard Palmer,
Isaac B. Parker,
*Jas. Peacock,
John L. Phillips,
*Wm. B. Potts,
*Thos. H. Powers,
*Robt. Ralston,
Wm. Rawle,
Osmon Reed,
*Matthias S. Richards,
Henry Rhoads,
*Jacob Rue,
Wm. Robinson, jr.,
John P. Rutter,
*John W. Shafer,
*Saml. Shafer,
Abraham W. Sharples,
*James Sillyman, jr.,
F. G. Smith,
Levi B. Smith,
Richard Penn Smith,
*Richard S. Smith,

*Wade T. Smith,
Samuel Snelling,
Cornelius Stevenson,
Joseph L. Stichter,
Benj. Stiles,
Ed. J. Stiles,
Samuel Swift,
Zadoc Thomas,
Amos Vansant,
Tobias Wagner,
*E. Q. S. Waldron,
James Watkins,
Joseph Watson,
Wm. Welsh,
*Isaac S. Williams,
G. M. Wharton,
Thos. J. Wharton,
Peter Williamson,
Horace E. Wolf,
James Worth,
*John Zieber, 62.

N. B. The Lay Deputies who did not answer to their names are marked in the above List thus *.

Roll of Churches and their Deputies.

Calvary church, Rockdale, Delaware county. Richard S. Smith, John Gifford Johnson.

St. Paul's church, Chester, Delaware county. James S. Williams.

St. Luke's church, Newtown, Bucks county. Phineas Jenks, Peter Gwinner, James Worth.

Epiphany church, city of Philadelphia. Lewis R. Ashhurst, Caspar Morris, M. D.. Joseph Watson.

St. Andrew's church, city of Philadelphia. Cornelius Stevenson, Thomas Robins, William Welsh.

St. Stephen's church, city of Philadelphia. Thomas I. Wharton, Charles N. Bancker, William Kirkham.

St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville, Bucks county. Abner Morris, Amos Vansant.

Emanuel church, Kensington, Philadelphia. Martin Ivens, Henry W. Chadwick, Thomas H. Powers.

Trinity church, Southwark, Philadelphia. Richard Palmer, Peter Williamson, William H. Klapp, M. D.

Trinity church, Pottsville, Schuylkill county. Robert C. Hill, James Sillyman, jr., William B. Potts.

St. Andrew's church, West Vincent, Chester county. Robert Ralston, James Watkins.

St. Mark's church, Lewistown, Mifflin county. Robert E. Hale, Robert McNeal.

St. John's church, Pequea, Chester county. Thomas G Henderson, Frederick D. Baker.

Grace church, Philadelphia. Herman Cope, William H Newbold, Samuel Snelling.

St. James' church, Perkiomen, Montgomery county. Jesse Bean, Edward Evans.

St. Peters', Philadelphia. William Meredith, Francis G. Smith, James S. Smith.

St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown, Berks county. Levi B. Smith, John C. Evans, David Morgan.

Trinity church, Easton, Northampton county. Horace E. Wolf.

St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg, Dauphin county. James Peacock, George W. Layng, Edward Hughes.

St. James' church, Muncy, Mercer county. William Cox Ellis.

St. John's church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia. William Letford, John W. Kester, Osmon Reed.

St. Mary's church, Chester county. Clement Brook, Samuel Shafer, Thomas K. Bull.

All Saints' church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county. Lawrence S. Lardner.

St. John's church, Concord, Delaware county. Hill Brinton, Abraham W. Sharples.

St David's church, Manayunk, Philadelphia county. Charles V. Hagner, James C. Kempton, Tobias Wagner.

St. John's church, Norristown, Montgomery county. Zadoc Thomas, John Zieber, James Hooven.

St. John's church, Carlisle, Cumberland county. Isaac B. Parker, Edward J. Stiles, Benjamin Stiles.

St. James' church, Philadelphia. William Rawle, Durden B. Carter, George M. Wharton.

All Saints church, Moyamensing, Philadelphia county. E. Q. S. Waldron, William Robinson, Jr., Benjamin G Mitchell.

Zion church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia county. Richard Penn Smith, James Goodman, Morton McMichael.

St. Paul's church, Philadelphia. John Farr, John D. George, William Alexander.

Christ church, Reading, Berks county. Matthias S. Richards, Henry Rhoads, Joseph L. Stichter.

Christ church, Philadelphia. Horace Binney, Wade T. Smith, Philip H. Nicklin.

St. Luke's church, Germantown, Philadelphia county. Benjamin Chew, John S. Littell, John W. Ashmead.

St Peter's church, Great Valley. John L. Phillips.

St. James' church, Bristol, Bucks county. James Johnson.

St. Paul's church, West Whiteland, Chester county. Jonathan Jones.

Christ church, Pottstown, Montgomery county. John P. Rutter, Robert E. Hobart.

St. Mary's church, Honeybrook, Chester county. Peter Dampman, Edwin Mendenhall.

St. Martin's church, Marcus Hook, Delaware county. Benjamin F. Johnson, George Lodge, John Larkin, Jr.

St. Paul's church, Chester, Delaware county. Jesse M. Justis.

Trinity church, Oxford, Philadelphia county. William Overington.

Bangor church, Churchtown, Lancaster county. Thomas B. Jacobs, Edward Davies.

St. David's church, Newtown, Delaware county. John Hunter.

Grace church, Hulmeville, Bucks county. George Harrison, Samuel Swift, Jacob Rue.

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PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
Tuesday, May 21st, 1839, 6 o'clock, P. M.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Right Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with several clergymen and lay deputies, attended at St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.

The chair being taken by the Bishop, the meeting proceeded to organize.* A list of the clergy entitled to seats, was called over by the Secretary, and the following answered to their names.

Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, D. D.
Rev. George Boyd,
Thomas Breintnall,
William Bryant,
Edward Y. Buchanan,
Levi Bull,
John A. Clark,
John B. Clemson,
John Coleman,
Robert Davis,
Rev. Alfred Louderback,
Alfred A. Miller,
George Mintzer,
Richard U. Morgan,
Henry J. Morton,
George W. Natt,
John Rodney,
Joshua M. Rogers,
George Sheets,
Isaac Smith,
William Suddards,

* Before the organization of the Convention, the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, stated that the Right Rev. Dr. De Lancey, Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York, was in the house, and requested that the Convention should, by an informal vote, authorise him to invite Bishop De Lancey to a seat in the chancel forthwith. The members present assented immediately by acclamation—whereupon Bishop De Lancey was conducted to the Episcopal chair on the left of the President.

Rev. Benjamin Dorr,
Jacob M. Douglass,
George C. Drake,
Henry W. Ducachet,
Walter E. Franklin,
William Hilton,
Samuel T. Lord,
Rev. Mortimer R. Talbot,
Stephen H. Tyng,
Geo. Upfold
William White,
Edwin W. Wiltbank,
James Wiltbank. 51

The following Lay Deputies presented certificates of their appointment, answered to their names, and took their seats.

Lewis R. Ashhurst,
C. N. Bancker,
Jesse Bean,
Horace Binney,
Hill Brinton,
Clement Brook,
Thomas K. Bull,
Durden B. Carter,
Henry W. Chadwick,
Herman Cope,
William Cox Ellis,
Jno. Farr,
Jno. D. George,
Peter Gwinner,
R. C. Hale,
Thomas G. Henderson,
Robert C. Hill,
Martin Ivens,
William Kirkham,
William H. Klapp,
Lawrence S. Lardner,
G. W. Layng,
William Letford,
William Meredith,
David Morgan,
Wm. H. Newbold,
P. H. Nicklin,
Richard Palmer,
Isaac B. Parker,
James Peacock,
William Rawle,
Osmon Reed,
Henry Rhoads,
William Robinson, Jr.
Samuel Shafer,
Abraham W. Sharples,
F. G. Smith,
James S. Smith,
Richard S. Smith,
Wade T. Smith,
Samuel Snelling,
Cornelius Stevenson,
Joseph L. Stichter,
Benjamin Stiles,
Edward J. Stiles,
Amos Vansant,
Tobias Wagner,
James Watkins,
William Welsh,
George M. Wharton,
Peter Williamson,
Horace E. Wolf.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to ballot for a Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Upfold and the Rev. Mr. Bull being appointed tellers to receive the votes of the clergy, and Messrs. Kirkham and Carter tellers to receive the votes of the laity. The tellers having reported that the Rev. Dr. Ducachet had received the majority of the votes of both orders, he was declared elected Secretary accordingly.

The standing rules of order were then read by the Secretary from the revised regulations.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with a form of prayer prescribed by the bishop.

2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate, during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. While the president is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the house, unless it be seconded and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the house is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the president leave the chair.

To which was added, on motion, the following:

13. The house shall hold two sessions every day: viz. from 9 o'clock, A. M. to 2 o'clock, P. M., and from 5 o'clock, P. M. to 7 o'clock, P. M.; provided that the house will not meet on Wednesday morning until 10 o'clock, nor adjourn until half past 2 o'clock.

On motion,

Resolved, That such clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, belonging to this Diocese, not entitled to seats in this Convention, and such clergymen, not belonging to this Diocese, and such clergymen of the Church of England or of her Colonies, and such students in divinity in the Episcopal Church as may be now in the city, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The Bishop laid upon the table, the official list of all the clergy canonically resident in the Diocese, corrected up to this day.

A list of the clergy absent at the last Convention, was called over, agreeably to Canon XIV, Sect. 5, when

The Rev. Jno. A. Clark, the only one of them now present, answered to his name, and offered the apology, that he was absent at the time for the benefit of his health, on leave from the Bishop, agreeably to the Canon.

Leave of absence was asked and obtained by Mr. Amos Vansant for the remainder of the session.

The Convention adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
Wednesday, May 22d, 1839, 10 o'clock A. M.

The Convention met and attended divine service. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. H. J. Morton; the Rt. Rev. Bishop De Lancey read the ante-communion office; and the sermon was preached by the Rev. Richard U. Morgan; after which the communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by Bishop De Lancey and the Rev. Messrs. Morgan and Morton.

The convention was called to order after service. The Roll was called. The minutes of yesterday afternoon were read and approved.

The following clergymen entitled to seats, and not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats. Rev. Wm. Adderly, Rev. F. W. Beasly, Rev. Samuel Bowman, Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rev. George Kirke, Rev. Wm. S. Perkins.

The following lay deputies entitled to seats, and not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats; viz. Wm. Alexan-

der, Jno. W. Ashmead, Benj. Chew, Jas. Goodman, James C. Kempton, Jno. W. Kester, Jno. S. Littell, Rd. Penn Smith.

The following lay deputies presented the certificates of their appointment, answered to their names, and took their seats—viz. Frederick D. Baker, John L. Phillips, James Johnson, Jonathan Jones, John P. Rutter, Edwin Mendenhall, Benjamin F. Johnson, George Lodge, Jesse M. Justis, Wm. Overington, Thos. B. Jacobs, John Hunter, John Harrison.

The Secretary then offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

When a Bishop of this Church, or of a Church in communion with it, is present, the President of the Convention may invite him to take a seat in the chancel, and be present during the sittings.

The Rev. Dr. Upfold then presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved—That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rev. R. U. Morgan, for the able and impressive discourse delivered by him at the opening of the Convention this morning, with the expression of our earnest prayer that God would give us grace, so to improve the pertinent, faithful, and affectionate counsel addressed to us, that when called upon to give account of our stewardship we may stand approved and accepted of our Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

The Bishop then delivered his annual address.

ADDRESS.

Brethren—The Clerical and the Lay Members of this Convention:

The kind providence of Almighty God again brings us together in our annual diocesan Council, to advise mutually for the good of the Church, and to rejoice in her increasing prosperity. We have some visible growth in this diocese, and I hope very much of that far better growth which is invisible: while in our Church at large, the indications of the divine favour are great. All which calls for our fervent gratitude to the most High.

All the Bishops and a large and able representation of the dioceses attended the General Convention, held in this city in September last. One of the important measures then adopted was the election of a second Missionary Bishop; the Rev.

Leonidas Polk, D. D. was unanimously chosen; and he was consecrated in December in the city of Cincinnati. His missionary episcopal district comprises the state of Arkansas, and "all parts of the United States south of latitude $36\frac{1}{2}°$, where the Church is as yet unorganised." From the high character of Dr. Polk, very happy results may be expected from his elevation to the episcopate.

Another important proceeding of the General Convention was the completion of the legislative provisions for dividing, when necessary, the larger dioceses. Following this measure was the division of New York into two; the new one taking the name of the Diocese of Western New York. The new branch of the Church thus formed, elected to its episcopate, at the primary Convention, the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., a brother long well known to us for zeal in the service of our common Master, indefatigable devotion to the welfare of the souls committed to his charge, and eminent ability and energy in the councils and business of the Church. So valuable a member of the diocese, endeared to us personally, likewise, by many ties and recollections, we cannot but part with reluctantly; yet, for the greater good to be accomplished in the wider sphere in which he is to act, we submit, and congratulate our sister diocese on her valuable acquisition. He was consecrated in St. Peter's church, Auburn, in the diocese of Western New York, in the presence of its again assembled Convention, on Ascension day, Thursday, the 9th inst., by our venerable Presiding Bishop, with whom the Bishops of New York and New Jersey and myself united in the imposition of hands.

A proposition will come before you, from the last General Convention, so to alter the General Constitution of our Church, as to allow that body to provide the mode of trying Bishops. This proposition involves the very grave question, whether the dioceses will surrender the right they now have, of instituting the mode of trying all orders of their clergy. The principal matter at issue is the mode of presentment; of which there can probably be only three, presentment by the diocesan Convention, by the General Convention, or by some of the Bishops; the court for the trial being always composed of Bishops only. That there are imperfections in the mode of presentment by the diocesan Convention, cannot be denied; there may be partiality, to screen a Bishop; or there may be hostility, to oppress him. To give the right of presenting to

the General Convention, would be to intermingle the issue with the multifarious business of that body; where, as in most large assemblies, particularly those drawn together from distant quarters, and representing interests and feelings not entirely accordant, affairs not related, acquire through the pressure of time or the force of circumstances, an influence upon each other, which might leave the question of a presentment not free from extraneous considerations. To vest this right in the Bishops, appears at first sight, the preferable mode; yet it is not without a weighty objection; for if Bishops are to present, and other Bishops try the cause, it will amount in substance to two trials; and the first being condemnatory, an acquittal at the second will naturally be regarded as affording but a very questionable recovery of character. In every view, the subject presents difficulty. Whether there is a sufficient prospect of doing better, by changing this feature of our General Constitution, I leave to your judgment to decide.

In compliance with Canon VII. of 1835, I now lay before you a statement of the affairs of the Diocese since we last met.

I have *preached* on every Sunday and principal Holyday, (except the annual Thanksgiving,) including six Sundays spent in Delaware, and two in the diocese of New York, while on my journey to and from the consecration of Bishop De Lancey. At Auburn I preached before the convention of Western New York. In the churches and places of worship in Philadelphia, I have preached 48 times. At the Orphan House once, and at the House of Refuge, once.

In June last, I preached at Germantown; at Westchester; and at Yardleyville, and Hulmeville. In July, at Chester and Marcus Hook; at Bristol; and at Concord, and Rockdale. In August, at Concord again, being compelled to revoke an appointment at Manayunk; also at Radnor. In September, at Manayunk, twice. At the close of that month I set out on a western visitation, and preached at Greensburgh, twice; and in October, at Connelsville, twice; at Uniontown; at Brownsville, twice; at Pike Run; at Allegheny; at Laceyville; in Trinity church, and St. Andrew's place of worship, Pittsburgh; at New Brighton; in St. Paul's church, Beaver county; at Georgetown; at Beaver; at Freeport, twice; at Kittanning, twice; at Red Bank; in Wayne Township; at Butler, twice; at Erie, twice; at Waterford, twice; at Rockville; at Meadville, twice; at Mercer; and again at Butler, at Allegheny, and in Trinity church, and St. Andrew's place of wor-

ship, Pittsburgh. In November, at Norristown. In December, at Francisville; at Pottsville; at Reading; at Harrisburgh, twice. In January, at Carlisle, twice. In April, at Whitemarsh; at Germantown, twice; at York, 3 times; at Petersburgh, twice. In the present month, at Piquea, twice.

I have administered the *Holy Communion*, in this diocese, nineteen times, including all public occasions and two private administrations of it to a sick person. The *Burial* office I have several times performed for parish ministers, and also on one other occasion. I have *Baptized* 5 children, besides administrations of that sacrament inserted in the several parish registers. Of *Marriages* I have solemnized 8. And I take this opportunity of stating that, in conformity with an act of the Legislature, reported to you at our last meeting, and entered on page 27 of the Journal, I have recorded in the Parish Register of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, all the Marriages solemnized by me in this State, and all the Baptisms except those which I understand to have been recorded in the registers of the parishes where they were performed.

The ordinance of *Confirmation* I have administered 53 times in our parishes, once in private to a sick person, and twice in the Swedes' churches. At Germantown, I confirmed 17 persons. At Hulmeville, 1 person. At Chester, 6 persons; at Marcus Hook, 28; at Concord, 3; at Rockdale, 25; at Radnor, 7; at Manayunk, 10; at Greensburgh, 15; at Connelsville, 7; at Brownsville, 14; at Pike Run, 3; at Allegheny, 9; at Laceyville, 8, two of whom belonged to Trinity church, Pittsburgh; in the parish of St. Andrew's, Pittsburgh, 5, and again 1, in all, 6; at New Brighton, 7, all men; in St. Paul's, Beaver county, 12; at Georgetown, 5; at Freeport, 8; at Kittanning, 12; at Red Bank, 16; in Wayne Township, 31; at Butler, 3, and again 1, in all, 4; at Erie, 10; at Waterford, 3; at Meadville, 9; in Trinity church, Pittsburgh, 34; at Pottsville, 8; at Reading, 2; at Harrisburgh, 3; at Carlisle, 6; at Whitemarsh, 3; at York, 24; at Pequea, 9.

My statement of Confirmations held in Philadelphia, is as follows. In St. Peter's church, I confirmed 15 persons, and again, 19, in all, 34. In St. Stephen's, 16. In St. John's, 12, and again, 3, in all, 15. In St. Thomas', 4. In Emanuel church, 6. In Trinity church, 18. At Spring Garden, 13. At Moyamensing, 6. In St. James' church, 33. In St. Paul's, 18. In St. Andrew's, 41. In the church of the Epiphany, 47. In Grace church, 53. In the church of the As-

cension, 35. In Christ church, 40. In the church of the Evangelists, 41.

During the past year, I have *consecrated* six churches. On the 7th of June, I consecrated Emanuel church, Kensington; a very neat edifice, and in a district of Philadelphia where one was much wanted: much credit is due to the late pastor, the Rev. Mr. Wiltberger, for zeal and perseverance in procuring its erection. On the 6th of October, I consecrated St. Paul's church, Laceyville; a small, but substantial and well finished structure. On the 13th of October, I consecrated Trinity church, Freeport; a serviceable and handsome brick building, for which we are greatly indebted to the faithful labours of the present and late missionaries, and the energy of the congregation. On the 17th of October, I consecrated St. Michael's church, Wayne township, Armstrong county; a neat frame building, small, but another honourable testimony to the untiring exertions of the missionary there, and to the efforts of a "willing people." On Sunday, the 14th of April, I consecrated the church of the Evangelists, Southwark, Philadelphia: the building was purchased from another denomination, and has been fitted very neatly for our worship; and the seats are all free: for the good work thus effected we have to thank its minister, the Rev. N. S. Harris, and the kind friends who co-operated with him. On Whitsunday, the 19th inst., I consecrated St. John's church, Piquea: this new, substantial, and truly elegant place of worship takes the place of the former somewhat ancient building, which had become too small for the increasing congregation, and was incommodious and in bad repair: to the ladies of the congregation the credit is due of first moving in this laudable undertaking; which has been well followed up by other liberal contributions; the chief impulse, throughout, being the excellent influence of the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Buchanan.

I have laid three *corner-stones* since the last Convention: that of the church of the Holy Trinity, at Westchester, on the 4th of June: that of the new St. John's church, Piquea, just consecrated, on the 21st of June: and that of Zion church, Spring Garden, on the 5th of September.—Other churches, not before reported, are *erecting* at Wellsborough, and in Pittsburgh for the congregation of St. Andrew's.

For our brethren of the *Swedes' churches*, I have preached four times, and confirmed twice: at Upper Merion, I preached in November and in April, when I confirmed six

persons: at Kingsessing, I preached in November: and in Gloria Dei church, I preached in January, and confirmed 6 persons.

With great pleasure and sincere gratitude, I acknowledge the kind attention and affectionate hospitality I have every where received, in the course of my visitations. May God's blessing be with the worthy friends who have done me these kindnesses, and with all the people committed to my charge!

The *Ordinations* held by me since the last Convention, I record, as follows:

On Sunday, July 8, in St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia, I admitted the Rev. Nathaniel Sayre Harris, and the Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch, deacons, to the holy order of Priests.

On Sunday, July 22d, in St. James' church, Bristol, I admitted Mr. Charles Breck, an alumnus of the General Seminary, to the holy order of Deacons.

On Wednesday, August 1st, in St. John's church, N. L., Philadelphia, I admitted Mr. Edmund Neville to the holy order of Deacons.

On Sunday, September 2d, in St. Paul's church, Philadelphia, I admitted Mr. William H. Odenheimer, an alumnus of the General Seminary, to the holy order of Deacons.

On Sunday, October 7th, in Trinity church, Pittsburgh, I admitted the Rev. William White, and the Rev. Tobias Harpur Michell, deacons, to the holy order of Priests: and also Mr. Joseph Adderly to the holy order of Deacons.

On Sunday, February 3d, in St. Peter's church, Philadelphia, I admitted the Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, the Rev. Edward Waylen, the Rev. Nicholas Hoppin, the Rev. Edwin W. Wiltbank, and the Rev. George W. Natt, deacons, to the holy order of Priests.

On Ash-Wednesday, February 13th, in St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia, I admitted Mr. Oliver A. Shaw, and Dr. Edward Rice to the holy order of Deacons.

I have given *Letters of Dismission* to the Rev. Marmaduke Hirst, to the diocese of Michigan—to the Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch, to that of New York—to the Rev. William Hommann, to the jurisdiction of Bishop Kemper—to the Rev. John F. Hoff, the Rev. John W. Hoffman, and the Rev. George P. Hopkins, to the diocese of Maryland—to the Rev. Christian Wiltberger, to that of New Jersey—to the Rev. Edward Neville, to that of Massachusetts—to the Rev. Frederick Freeman, to that of Maine—to the Rev. Alexander

Varian, to that of Ohio: all which, except the last, concerning which there has scarcely been time enough to hear, have been accepted. And I have transferred the Rev. John W. McCullough, and the Rev. John V. E. Thorn, from this diocese to that of Delaware.

I have received and accepted Letters of Dismission to this diocese—on July 2d, in behalf of the Rev. Pierre Teller Babbit, from Bishop Kemper—on August 17th, in behalf of the Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, from Bishop McCoskry—on September 7th, in behalf of the Rev. Alfred Lee, from Bishop Brownell—on October 5th, in behalf of the Rev. Charles W. Andrews, from Bishop Meade—on November 6th, in behalf of the Rev. Charles V. Kelly; on January 4th, in behalf of the Rev. Nicholas Hoppin: and on January 28th, in behalf of the Rev. Richard F. Burnham; from Bishop B. T. Onderdonk—on November 17th, in behalf of the Rev. George P. Hopkins, deacon, from Bishop Hopkins—on November the 21st. in behalf of the Rev. Francis H. L. Laird; and on March 6th, in behalf of the Rev. Joshua L. Harrison, from Bishop McIlvaine—on November 27th, in behalf of the Rev. Edward Waylen, from Bishop Griswold—on March 1st, in behalf of the Rev. Willie Peck, from the ecclesiastical authority of Maryland—on April 20th, in behalf of the Rev. John Gordon Maxwell, deacon, from Bishop Moore. And on November 8th, I transferred the Rev. William James C. Clark from the diocese of Delaware to this diocese; also, on the 17th inst., I transferred, in like manner, the Rev. John Linn McKim.

The Rev. Mr. May, who has gone to Europe for the improvement of his health, has *leave of absence* for eighteen months; his place in St. Paul's church, Philadelphia, is supplied temporarily by the Rev. Mr. Bent. I record with regret the *death* of the Rev. John Taylor, who, on the 10th of August, was struck by lightning, in his bed, in Mercer county.

On Sunday, December 30th, I *instituted* the Rev. Charles V. Kelly to the rectorship of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg; owing to detention by snow upon the rail-road, I was compelled to perform this duty in the afternoon. On Sunday, April 28th, I instituted the Rev. Edward Waylen to the rectorship of St. John the Baptist's Church, York; where I was much gratified with the improved state of things in the affairs of our Church.

The number of *candidates* for holy orders, in this diocese, is 23; and I now present the list of them. Dr. William M'Dougall I have transferred to the diocese of Tennessee. No names have been withdrawn or erased. The gentleman whose name is second on the list, Mr. Hall, went to Ireland, his native country, for his health, in the Spring of 1837; and in August following, wrote to me that he intended returning in the Spring of 1838; since which time I have not heard from him. On the 4th of September, I admitted to the candidateship Robert M'Gregor Micheson, and James Lloyd Breck; on the 6th of November, Benjamin Franklin Watson, and William W. Withers; on the 23d of January, John Hulme Harrison; on the 5th of March, Samuel Hazlehurst, Jr.

The Rev. Thomas Brientnall is the rector of Zion Church, Spring Garden, having resigned St. Mary's, Hamiltonville; where he is succeeded by the Rev. Richard D. Hall. The Rev. Charles W. Andrews is the rector of St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburgh. The Rev. Charles V. Kelly is the rector of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg. The Rev. William Adderly has resigned Georgetown Church, where he is succeeded by the Rev. F. H. Laird; and has charge of the congregation of St. Peter's at Fallstown and New Brighton, and of St. Paul's, Beaver County. The Rev. Joseph Adderly has charge of the congregation of St. Ann's, at Red Bank, Armstrong County. The Rev. T. H. Michell has removed from Allegheny to Mercer, with a good prospect of reviving St. John's Church, at the latter place. The Rev. Joshua L. Harrison is the rector of Christ Church, Greensburgh; the Rev. Mr. Kerr having resigned that parish, but retaining Connelsville, and adding Uniontown to his charge. The Rev. Edward Waylen is the rector of St. John's Church, York; the Rev. Mr. Franklin having removed thence to Grace Church, Honesdale. The Rev. Mr. Whitesides has charge of Christ Church, Pottstown, and the congregation at Phœnixville. The Rev. William James Clark is the rector of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre. The Rev. Richard F. Burnham is the rector of St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk. The Rev. Samuel T. Lord has resigned the charge at Waterford, and accepted that at New Milford; the Rev. Mr. Pleasants having resigned that parish, and also the one at Montrose; in which latter he is succeeded by the Rev. G. P. Hopkins. The Rev. Willie Peck is the rector of St. David's

Church, Radnor, in place of the Rev. Mr. Rees, resigned. The Rev. Nathan Stem is the rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, the Rev. Mr. Reynolds having resigned that parish; more recently he has resigned that of St. James, Perkiomen. The Rev. Alfred Lee is the Rector of Calvary Church, Rockdale. The Rev. Charles Breck has charge of the congregation of St. Paul's, at Wellsborough. The Rev. Dr. Crusé is again at the head of the Abbeville Institute. The Rev. Nicholas Hoppin is Assistant to the Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia. The Rev. W. H. Odenheimer officiates temporarily in St. Peter's, Philadelphia. The Rev. J. H. Marsden has charge of the (incorporated) Female Academy at Gettysburgh. The Rev. John Gordon Maxwell is the rector of Emanuel Church, Kensington, the Rev. Mr. Wiltberger having resigned. The Rev. James B. Noblit has been elected to the rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Lewistown, the Rev. Mr. Hoff having resigned. The Rev. E. W. Wiltbank has resigned the parish at Westchester, but retains that at Concord. The Rev. J. L. M'Kim has charge of the congregations at Carbondale and Dundaff.

Our excellent Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, the acknowledged agent of the Church in this diocese by the vote of the Convention of 1812, continues its highly useful though entirely unostentatious labours, more particularly in the missionary department. Twenty-seven years devotion to the cause it furthers may be appealed to as the practical test of its beneficial operation and wholesome influence, and as the evidence of its claim to the kind sympathy and cordial support of all in our branch of the Lord's household. Much however as is the good effected by it, the results would be larger were its resources increased. And I therefore again solicit, most earnestly, liberal contributions to its funds from the whole diocese.—I attended the anniversary celebration of this admirable institution, in St. James' church, in this city, on the evening of January 7th, the festival of the Epiphany occurring on Sunday; the services on that occasion were highly interesting, and the Report evinced, as usual, that the zeal of the Society and its missionaries continued unabated.

In the employment of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, there are at present 24 missionaries; whose names and stations are as follows:

The Rev. Joseph Adderly, deacon, at Red Bank, and parts adjacent, Armstrong county.

The Rev. William Adderly, at Fallstown, and St. Paul's church, Beaver county.

The Rev. Charles Breck, deacon, at Wellsborough, and parts adjacent, Tioga county.

The Rev. William Bryant, at Moyamensing, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. Richard F. Burnham, at Mauch Chunk, and parts adjacent, Northampton county.

The Rev. George C. Drake, who is Rector of St. Paul's, Bloomsburgh, at Jerseytown, and Sugarloaf, Columbia county.

The Rev. Walter E. Franklin, deacon, at Honesdale, and Bethany, Wayne county.

The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, who is Rector of Christ church, Brownsville, at Pike Run, Washington county.

The Rev. William Hilton, at West Whiteland, and St. Peter's, Great Valley, Chester county.

The Rev. George P. Hopkins, deacon, at Montrose, Susquehanna county.

The Rev. John J. Kerr, at Uniontown and Connelsville, Fayette county.

The Rev. Bryan B. Killikelly, at Kittanning and Wayne Township, Armstrong county.

The Rev. George Kirke, at Yardleyville and Hulmeville, Bucks county.

The Rev. Francis H. L. Laird, at Georgetown, Beaver county.

The Rev. Freeman Lane, at Springville, Susquehanna county and Pike (Wyalusing) Bradford county.

The Rev. Samuel T. Lord, at New Milford, Susquehanna county.

The Rev. Alfred Louderback, at Danville, Columbia county, and Sunbury, Northumberland county.

The Rev. John Linn McKim, at Corbondale, Luzerne county; and Dundaff, Susquehanna county.

The Rev. Tobias Harpur Michell, M. D., at Mercer and parts adjacent, Mercer county.

The Rev. George W. Natt, at Belle Fonte, and parts adjacent, Centre county.

The Rev. Isaac Smith, at Muncy, and Williamsport, Lycoming county, and Derry, Columbia county.

The Rev. William White, at Butler, Butler county, and Freeport, Armstrong county.

The Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, at Pottstown, Montgomery county, and Phœnixville, Chester county.

During a part of the year, the Rev. Mr. Varian was a Missionary at Paradise, Lancaster county.

I include among the Missionaries, the Rev. William N. Pendleton, a Professor in Newark College, Delaware, who officiates at New London ⋈ Roads, and West Marlborough, Chester county.

Under the care of the Education Committee of the Society for Advancement, &c., are ten beneficiaries, of whom five are at the General Seminary; two at Washington College, Conn.; two at the University of Pennsylvania; and one pursues his theological studies in private, under the direction of a clergyman. Surely the claims of this noble Society cannot be too strongly urged!

Members of the Society, and students in divinity, have access to its library, which is kept in St. James' church.

The Female Episcopal Tract Society is auxiliary to that for the advancement of christianity, and renders much service to the cause of religion by its valuable publications. It well deserves patronage.

Richly deserving of patronage, also, is the Bishop White Prayer Book Society. Next to the Bible, the best book in the world is our Liturgy; and it is the best companion for the Bible. To circulate as widely as possible this inestimable volume, is the business of this Society; and it fulfils its purpose to the full extent of its means. During the past year, it has distributed more than ten thousand copies. I commend it to the further and more adequate support of the diocese. And I respectfully ask for it, contributions from beyond the diocese, inasmuch as it responds to demands for the Prayer Book from all quarters, without local preferences.

The Prayer Book of the Female Episcopal Prayer Book Society was adopted by the last General Convention, as the standard for all editions of that volume. And their stereotype plates have undergone a very thorough correction by a committee appointed for that purpose; so that their last and their future editions may justly be regarded as the most accurate of any in the country. This advantage, I trust, will augment the number of the purchasers of their book. But they have the greater claim to patronage, that they distribute

it gratuitously to all who need it, particularly to those who through infirmity of vision, require large print. To aid these excellent ladies in this benevolent work, and to remunerate them for the expense incurred in the correction of their plates, I solicit for them the bounty of the diocese and of episcopalians generally.

The Sunday School Society of the diocese, auxiliary to our General Sunday School Union, continues its operations, and is endeavouring to extend them. It has a claim to larger patronage than it has hitherto enjoyed.

It is my duty to present again to the notice of my Rev. brethren, the Corporation for the relief of the Widows and Children of deceased Clergymen. An interest in its funds, timely secured, will so far relieve one of the calamities attending the greatest earthly bereavement.

I attended, during the session of the General Convention, meetings of the Board of Missions, and of the General Sunday School Union. The operations of these institutions of the church are well known; and no adequate notice of them could be comprised within the limits of this address.—I attended also, in June last, the Board of the General Theological Seminary: the funds of this excellent establishment have reached a condition which has rendered necessary an urgent appeal to all the members of our Zion; and I hope it will be favourably heard, or its prospective resources may be absorbed by a premature anticipation of them.

Having thus completed my canonical statement, I commend you, Brethren, in the business before you, to the guidance and help of the Holy Spirit, who directed the council of the apostles, and who is given to the Church till the end of the world. May the Almighty Father shed his gracious illumination into our hearts and our understandings, through our Lord Jesus Christ; both to make our deliberations and proceedings beneficial to the Church, and to bring our affections and our lives to a nearer conformity to the image and the example of the Redeemer!

H. U. Onderdonk.

Philadelphia, May 22d, 1839.

The Secretary then read the following official list of the candidates for orders in this diocese.

List of Candidates for Holy Orders, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, May 22nd, 1839.

Richard Newton—since September 29, 1836.
John Hall—since November 5, 1836.
Samuel W. Hallowell—since November 5, 1836.
Edwin N. Lightner—since November 25, 1836.
Alexander F. Dobb—since May 9, 1837.
William White Bronson—since May 9, 1837.
Gregory Thurston Bedell—since May 9, 1837.
John J. M'Elhinny—since June 6, 1837.
George Burcker—since September 5, 1837.
John P. Hosmer—since September 5, 1837.
Samuel Rose Meade—since January 2, 1838.
William P. Saunders—since February 6, 1838.
William Sydney Walker—since March 6, 1838.
Edward Bourns—since April 12, 1838.
Alexander Shiras—since April 12, 1838.
John A. Childs—since April 12, 1838.
Robert Bethel Claxton—since May 15, 1838.
Robert M'Gregor Micheson—since September 4, 1838.
James Lloyd Breck—since September 4, 1838.
William W. Withers—since November 6, 1838.
Benjamin Franklin Watson—since November 6, 1838.
John Hulme Harrison—since January 23, 1839.
Samuel Hazlehurst, Jr.—since March 5, 1839.

Total, 23.

It was moved and resolved that a committee on unfinished business be appointed, when the chair appointed Rev. Mr. Rodney and Rev. Mr. Rogers.

The charter of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, was then presented with the following report from the Standing Committee, setting forth their objections to it.

In Standing Committee, May 21, 1839.

The Committee on Charters reported on the charter of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia.

Whereupon, on motion, ordered to be reported to the Convention, with the reasons of the disapprobation of the Standing Committee, viz:—To the clause in the 3rd article pro-

viding for the education of the youth, and the support of the poor of the congregation.

The whole matter was then referred to a Committee on Charters—whereupon, on motion, the following gentlemen were appointed said committee—Rev. Mr. Buchanan, Rev. Mr. Morgan, Rev. Mr. Crumpton, Messrs. James S. Smith and P. H. Nicklin.

The charter of St. James's Church, Schuylkill Haven, was also presented, and having been approved by the Standing Committee, was referred to the Committee on Charters.

The Secretary presented the reports of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, and of the Trustees of the same, and also the report of the Treasurer of the convention fund, which having been previously examined and found correct by the Standing Committee, were ordered to be appended to the Journal.

Mr. Wagner offered the following resolution, which was passed.

Resolved, That 75 per cent. of the aggregate receipts from the churches whose rectors shall be entitled to mileage, be appropriated towards its payment, and that the Treasurer be authorised to make such payments, provided they do not exceed the actual expenses of the clergy in attending Convention, and provided that an account of the same be rendered to him, on or before the evening of the adjournment of this Convention.

On motion, it was Resolved, That until the next stated Convention, the actual expenses of the Bishop, upon his Episcopal visitations, be paid out of the Convention fund; provided that the amount so paid do not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

The names of the Clergy were then called agreeably to the resolution of the Convention of 1835, to inquire whether collections had been made in their respective Churches for the Convention fund; when it appeared that collections were made by the following, viz:

Rev. Messrs.	Adderly,	Rev. Messrs.	Kirke,
	Beasely,		Lee,
	Bowman,		Lord,
	Boyd,		Miller,
	Bryant,		Mintzer,
	Bull,		Morgan,

Rev. Messrs. Coleman,
Crumpton,
Dorr,
Drake,
Ducachet,
Franklin,
Harrison,
Hilton,
Kelly,
Morton,
Peck,
Rodney,
Rogers,
Stem,
Talbot,
Tyng,
Upfold,
White.

The following did not make the enjoined collection, viz: Rev. Messrs. Breintnall, Clemson, and Louderback; and the following did not answer to their names, viz:

Rev. Messrs. Andrews,
Buchanan,
Babbit,
Breck,
Burnham,
W. J. Clark,
J. A. Clark,
Douglass,
Freeman,
Greenleaf,
Hall,
Kerr,
Killikelly,
Lacey,
Lane,
Laird,
May,
Mitchell,
Maxwell,
Perkins,
Ridgley,
Sheets,
Suddards,
Wiltbank,
Waylen.

The Convention then adjourned.

Wednesday, May 22d, 1839, 5 o'clock, P. M.
St. Andrew's Church.

The Convention assembled agreeably to adjournment. The roll was called, and the Rev. G. W. Ridgley, not before present, answered to his name, and took his seat. The following lay delegates, not before present, answered to their names, and took their seats, viz:—Richard Palmer, Levi B. Smith, James Watkins, and Joseph Watson.

The minutes of the morning's session were read and approved.

Mr. Zadok Thomas, a lay delegate from St. John's Church,

Norristown, presented the certificate of his appointment, answered to his name, and took his seat.

The Committee on the admission of the Swedes' Churches, &c., presented the following report, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred at the last Convention so much of the Bishop's Address to that Convention as relates to the admission of certain Swedes' Churches to union with this Convention, beg leave to report progress, and ask leave to be continued, to report at the next annual Convention.

Whereupon, it was ordered that the said committee be continued, as asked.

The reading of the parochial reports was then continued.

The Committee on Charters presented the following report.

That having examined the Articles of Association of St. James's Church, Schuylkill Haven, and the Charter of Incorporation of St. Luke's Church, in the City of Philadelphia, and having found both to be in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Canons, they recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That St. James's Church, Schuylkill Haven, and St. Luke's Church, in the City of Philadelphia, be, and they hereby are, admitted as members of this Convention.

2. That in the opinion of the Convention, there should be as few deviations as possible in future proposed charters, from the form of charter recommended by the Convention.

EDWARD Y. BUCHANAN, Chairman.

The committee on unfinished business presented their report.

The committee on unfinished business, after due examination of the Journal, respectfully report as claiming the attention of this body, the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. May, on more frequent religious services during the sessions of Convention—and besides the subject of the admission of the Swedish Churches, already disposed of, there remains but one other resolution, that of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, on the Marriage Law, &c., referred to a committee, of which the Rev. Dr. is the Chairman.

JOHN RODNEY,
J. M. ROGERS.

Whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Boyd, it was ordered that the resolutions offered by the Rev. Mr. May, and re-

ferred to in the report of the committee on unfinished business, be laid over to the next Convention.

The Convention adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
Thursday, May 23d, 1839, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Divine service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Talbot, after which the Bishop called the Convention to order.

The roll was called, when the Rev. Freeman Lane, Mr. C. V. Hagner, and Mr. Thos. I. Wharton, not before present, answered to their names and took their seats.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Secretary be authorised to print 500 copies of the Journal of this Convention.

Mr. Nicklin then offered the following resolution:

Resolved—That the Constitution, Canons, and Revised Regulations of the Diocese of Pennsylvania be appended to the Journal of this Convention for this year, and that 500 additional copies be printed from the same type, for future distribution.

A call being made for a division of the question, the first clause, viz: "that the Constitution, Canons, and Revised Regulations of the Diocese of Pennsylvania be appended to the Journal of this Convention for this year," was carried. The question being put upon the second clause, it was lost.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention will go into the election at 1 o'clock this day.

The charter of St. James' church, Bellefonte, having been presented as approved by the Bishop and Standing Committee, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on charters.

The Rev. Mr. Ridgley offered the following resolutions:

As the General Convention has adopted the principle that *the Church is the best Society for the dissemination of the Gospel*, and as each diocese constitutes a separate, and in some particulars an independent portion of the Church,

1. *Resolved*—That all the operations and enterprises for the promotion of Religion in this diocese, ought to be under the control of *this Convention*.

2. *Resolved*—That a Board of supervision and control be

annually appointed by this body, whose duty it shall be to take charge of such operations.

3. *Resolved*—That where any field of benevolent exertion is already occupied by an efficient and well organized Society, the said Board be authorised and directed to adopt such Society as the agent of the Church, for the continued occupancy of that field. It being understood, however, that said Society shall formally recognise the authority of the Board to inspect its proceedings, and (if at any time occasion should require) to control them.

4. *Resolved*—That if any important department of Christian exertion shall be found unoccupied or filled by some independent association, which refuses to recognise the authority of this Convention, thus delegated to its Board of supervision and control, said Board shall take measures to institute another organization for the same objects, that shall thenceforth be recognised as a *Church Society*, and entitled to claim the patronage of Pennsylvania churchmen, in the name of their ecclesiastical authorities.

5. *Resolved*—That this Board shall annually report to this Convention the condition of the various interests committed to its supervision.

Whereupon, after debate, the question being put, the whole matter was indefinitely postponed.

The Rev. Mr. Boyd offered the following resolution, and moved to lay it on the table, which was ordered.

Resolved—That a committee of five Clergymen with the same number of laymen, be appointed to inquire whether the Rubrics attached to the Catechism of the Church, so far as they respect the Catechetical instruction therein contemplated, are complied with, or how far they are so complied with; and whether some means may not be recommended by this Convention, which, under God's blessing, may tend to the more general "training up" of the children of the Church, in the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Church.

Mr. Nicklin now moved that 250 copies extra of the Constitution, Canons, and revised Regulations, &c., be printed, under the direction of the Secretary, which was carried.

The Committee on Charters offered the following report.

The Committee on Charters report, that having found the charter of incorporation of St. John's church, Bellefonte, to be in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and

Canons, they recommend the passage of the following resolution.

Resolved—That St. John's church, Bellefonte, be, and it hereby is admitted as a member of this Convention.

EDWARD Y. BUCHANAN, Chairman.

Whereupon the resolution recommended by them was carried; and St. John's church, Bellefonte, was admitted into union with this Convention.

Mr. Geo. M. Wharton offered the following resolution:

Resolved—That it be recommended to the different incorporated churches in the diocese, to pass a by-law, providing for the vesting of all the estate of the corporation, in case of its dissolution, in the Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, to be held by it in trust for the benefit of a future congregation of members of the Church, which may be formed upon the same principles in the same neighbourhood.

Which was carried.

Mr. Wm. H. Newbold offered the following resolution:

Resolved—That a committee of five be appointed to inquire into the practicability of devising means for the relief of clergymen of this diocese, prevented by physical inability from the discharge of their ministerial functions, and if deemed practicable, to report a plan to the next Convention.

Which was passed. Whereupon the following gentlemen were appointed said committee: Rev. Dr. Dorr, Rev. Mr. Morton, Messrs. W. H. Newbold, G. M. Wharton, and John Welsh, Jr.

The order of the day was called for, the hour having arrived; and the chair appointed the Rev. Messers. Beasely and Rogers, tellers to receive the votes of clergymen; and Messrs. Cope and E. J. Stiles, tellers to receive the votes of the laity.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the vacancy in the number of trustees to represent this diocese in the board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, be now filled; whereupon the Rev. Benj. Dorr, D. D., was elected to that office.

Resolved, That the next annual Convention be held in St. Andrew's church in the city of Philadelphia.

The Tellers made their report; whereupon the following gentlemen were declared to be elected:

Standing Committee.

CLERGY.	LAITY.
Rev. George Boyd.	Jas. S. Smith.
Rev. H. W. Ducachet. D. D.	P. H. Nicklin.
Rev. Benj. Dorr, D. D.	Jno. Andrews.
Rev. Henry J. Morton.	Tobias Wagner.
Rev. Jno. B. Clemson.	Geo. M. Wharton.

Deputies to the General Convention.

Rev. George Upfold. D. D.	Horace Binney,
Rev. Levi Bull.	Ed. J. Stiles.
Rev. Samuel Bowman.	Jas. S. Smith.
Rev. Benj. Dorr. D. D.	Wm. Meredith.

Committee on the supply of vacant Congregations.

Rev. John Rodney, jr.	Samuel Hazlehurst.
Rev. George Sheets.	Wm. D. Brinckle, M. D.
Rev. Wm. Suddards.	Lewis R. Ashhurst.

Treasurer of the Convention Fund,
Tobias Wagner.

Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund,
No choice.*

The Convention then united in singing the last four verses of the 99th Psalm of the selection; when, after the benediction of the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY WILLIAM DUCACHET, Secretary.

The parochial reports, which were read at different times during the sittings of the Convention, are here inserted in obedience to Canon XII. Sec. IV.

* Mr. P. H. Nicklin, the former Treasurer, declined being a candidate for the office. But no one having been elected in his place, he still retains the office agreeably to section VI. of the Constitution, until the appointment of a successor.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1st, 1839.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Adderly, Missionary, Rector of St. Peter's Church, New Brighton, and St. Paul's, Beaver county.

St. Peter's Church.

Baptisms, infants, 5; congregation, families about 25; public services, on Sundays, 46; confirmed, 7; collections, Convention Fund, $3. My report of this congregation is imperfect. A house of worship has not yet been erected, but should things be favorable, it is hoped it will be accomplished this summer.

St. Paul's Church.

Baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 7; total, 11; congregation, families, 26; communicants, added, 20; present number, 58; public services, on Sundays, 46; other days, 7; total, 53; confirmed, 12; marriages, 1; children catechized in Sunday school; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 30; Collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $2,50; Convention Fund, $2,50; Missionary and other purposes, $21,50: total, $26,50. Besides the above, I have preached every second Sunday in the neighbourhood of Greersburg. There has also been held, every week in the neighbourhood of this church, a meeting for prayer, which has been well attended, and I hope has been the cause of much good.

Report of the Rev. Joseph Adderly, Missionary, at St. Ann's Church, Redbank, Armstrong county.

Baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 2; total 5; Congregation, families, 14; communicants, added, 6; removed, 1; present number, 29 ; public services, on Sundays, 18; other days, 11; total, 29; Marriages, 3; collection, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $2,50.

The Church in this place cannot prosper as could be wished, until a house of worship shall be erected, which the Vestry intend to do this summer. I am unable to give any thing like a satisfactory report, having so lately taken charge of the Congregation.

Besides the above services, I have officiated 14 times at St. Michael's Church, Wayne township, and baptized one infant.

Report of the Rev. Charles H. Alden.

Since the last Convention, I have been unremittingly engaged in the appropriate duties of my station, as principal of the Philadelphia High School for Young Ladies: and with the divine blessing, not without success in the improvement of the students, both in learning and religion. Besides my paramount duties to the Institution, I have occasionally aided the city parochial clergy; officiated, as usual, at the House of Refuge, Orphan Asylum, &c.

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Report of the Rev. Thomas G. Allen, City Missionary.

I continue acting in the capacity of a City Missionary.

From the date of my last report May 16th, 1838, I have officiated in the service of the Church, alone, on 10 occasions. I have administered, or assisted in the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, on 12 occasions. I have baptised 62 persons. In preaching, lecturing, &c., I have officiated on 221 occasions. I have married 30 couple. I have officiated on 116 funeral occasions.

During the year, up to March 12th, my pastoral visits have been 1695, 1630 of them to the sick or afflicted. I have distributed 23 bibles, 4 new testaments, 60 prayer books, and 30,610 pages of tracts.

My monthly meetings at the Widow's Asylum, and my weekly meetings at the Magdalen Asylum, also at my own house, are continued. I have made a monthly appointment at the Wills Hospital. I have no other *regular* appointments, but officiate during the week or on the Lord's Day, as the Lord in his providence directs.

In my general movements I endeavour to act as a friend to all who may resort to me, or to whom I may be directed in circumstances of need, whether of body, mind or soul. By reference to the foregoing statistics, you may perceive that my visits are very much confined to the sick or afflicted.

The Lord has blessed my imperfect efforts, and to him be all the praise, forever. Amen.

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Report of the Rev. Charles W. Andrews, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburgh.

Congregation, families, 52; communicants, added, 42; died, 2; present number, 73; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 15; burials, 8; marriages, 3; confirmations, 6; (a number of those

who professed to have experienced a change of heart during the past year, having been confirmed before.) Public services on Sunday morning and night, until April 1st, since which time being without a place of worship, there has but one service on Sunday. There has been also a weekly lecture, and during Lent, public worship on Wednesday and Friday night. In addition to these services, there have been meetings for prayer, in private houses in different parts of the parish.

The Rector has also preached in the afternoon, once in four weeks, at Lawrenceville, three miles from Pittsburgh. He has also preached in Meadville and Mercer, and at Brownsville and Greensburgh.

Sunday school teachers, male, 7; female, 7; all communicants; pupils, average attendance about 50; collections, Prayer Book Society, $3 75; Advancement Society, $6 40; Dom. & For. Missionary Society, $150; other charitable purposes, $253 30.

The above report embraces a period of eleven months. The missionary collections were commenced in October last. There are several objects toward which the congregation have not yet found it practicable to contribute, but which they do not intend hereafter to neglect. The Vestry are engaged in erecting a church edifice, 63 feet by 85, including the tower.

Report of the Rev. P. Teller Babbit, Rector of St. Paul's Church, in Erie, Erie County, for eleven months, preceding May 1st, 1839.

Congregation, families, 60; adults, 105; children, 113; total, 278; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 22; total, 24; confirmed, 10; communicants, added, 16; removed, 1; present number, 45; marriages, 4; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 96; other days, 4; total, 100. In addition to the above services, I have officiated 6 times at different places in the country.

This report embraces only the time since my entrance upon this charge, which was the 27th of last May. During the season of Lent, the Church was opened twice each week, when, in addition to the regular services, a portion of the Homilies was read.

The Bible Class numbers 21 members, and has been suspended for a few weeks; but is to be re-commenced on the 17th of May. Once each week a class of nine children have assembled for catechetical instruction.

By a Fair, the Ladies of the Parish raised $150, $30 of which were sent to the Society for the advancement of Christianity in the State of Pennsylvania; of the remainder, $112 was appropriated to liquidate a debt standing against the organ.

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Report of the Rev. F. W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' Church, county of Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 9; total, 12; communicants, added, 9; marriages, 4; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 58; total, 162; Sunday schools, 2; collections, Episcopal Fund, $17 62½; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $93; Missionary and other purposes, $352; total, 445 62½.

Since my last report we have added a steeple to our Church in Holmesburg. We are indebted to the generosity of William Strickland, Esq. for the beautiful plan, which, with slight alteration, we followed in erecting it. When we were afraid that our funds would not suffer us to build a turret of the plainest kind for the reception of our bell, we found, on application to this distinguished Architect, that his talents would enable us to erect a steeple, which is a great ornament to the village. The congregation contributed $175 to the sum which we already had for the completion of the spire.

The prospects of our Church are very encouraging. In November last I commenced preaching in a School House about six miles distant from my residence, and have continued the services to this date on every Thursday evening. The good effects of this missionary effort have been sensibly felt in my Church. And so many persons have attended their services—the room being crowded to excess—that we have great reason to hope, that good effects, yet to be learnt, have resulted from them. We are about commencing a Sunday School in this building, and I think with very good prospects. It will be the third Sunday School in connection with our Church.

The Missionary spirit is increasing in our Parish. We have a Missionary Society, to which 60 members are attached. It has contributed this year $166 to the cause. This sum has been distributed—to the Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $93; to domestic missions, $20; to Foreign, $20; for general purposes, $33. A few members of my Church have contributed $80 this year for the support of

a professor in Bishop Kemper's College—having pledged themselves to contribute that sum annually for three years.

Report of the Rev. N. T. Bent, officiating Minister of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 9; infants, 15; total, 24; communicants, added, 20; died or removed, 10; present number, 460; confirmed, 18; marriages, 3; burials, 7; bible classes, 2; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 16; pupils, 175; female, 2; teachers, 24; pupils, 276; total, schools, 4; teachers, 40; pupils, 451; collections, Missionary and other purposes, about $1200.

I took the temporary charge of this Church in December last, and the above report is as accurate as it is in my power to give. The Church has been deprived of the valuable services of its rector, the Rev. James May, for the greater part of the last year, in consequence of his ill health. He is now in Europe, and the poriod of his return is uncertain. The temporary removal, even of such a rector, is an affliction to a people. But the present condition of the parish is, considering the circumstances, highly prosperous. The services of Lent received very general attention from the congregation, and were blessed, as we trust, to the spiritual good of many. The contributions for Missionary purposes have been much enlarged, but as pledges are paid quarterly, the increase does not appear in the above report, as it will in that of another year.

Report of the Rev. S. Bowman, Rector of St. James' Church, Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster.

Baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 13; total, 14; communicants, 73; marriages, 10; funerals, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 45; total, 149; children catechized, about 60; monthly throughout the year; Sunday schools, 1 male; 7 teachers; 42 pupils; 1 female; 13 teachers; 70 pupils; total, 2 schools; 20 teachers; 112 pupils; collections, Episcopal Fund, $16; Society for Advancement of Christianity, $27 25; Convention Fund, $14 25; monthly offerings of the Church for Diocesan and other missions, $164 11; Female Auxiliary Missionary Society of St. James' Church, $100; Juvenile Missionary Society, $30; total, for Missionary and other purposes, $351 61.

Report of the Rev. Geo. Boyd, Rector of St. John's church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 22; total, 25; confirmed, 16; communicants added, 17; died, 5; present number, 227; marriages, 4; public services on Sunday, 2; other days, 1; total, 3; children catechised in the Sunday schools, every other Sunday; Sunday schools, 3; 1 male, 2 female; teachers, 24; children, 240.

Seven hundred and fifty dollars have been paid on the church debts. This sum was obtained almost entirely from the exertions of the female members of the church. In December last they had a sale of fancy and useful articles, the proceeds of which were $692.

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Report of the Rev. Charles Breck, Missionary, at Wellsborough, Tioga county, Pennsylvania.

Communicants, 1; marriages, 3; Burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 66; other days, 23; Sunday school teachers, 8; scholars, 60.

The request made to the Bishop by the inhabitants of this place, desiring him to send them an Episcopal Clergyman, was made more by way of experiment than any thing else. It took but a few weeks of visiting to satisfy my mind as to this particular.

I certainly supposed there was more than *one Episcopalian* engaged with those who were exerting themselves to obtain a clergyman of the Church. Extremes sometimes meet, and such seems to have been the case here. Division seems to have caused their union. They fixed on the church; and in August last I was sent here by the Bishop. Not being able to obtain the Court House, they fitted up the second story of the Academy; for there never was a place of worship in Wellsborough, other than an old log meeting-house, which has long since disappeared.

On the 30th of October we adopted the form of charter of incorporation, recommended by the Convention of the diocese, and took immediate measures for the building of a church. On the 15th day of April, I laid the corner stone of St. Paul's church, Wellsborough; its dimensions, are 38 feet by 52. We hope to have it ready for consecration by the 20th of October.

I thank God for the evidence there is, that the seed has not

been sown in vain. May he carry on the good work, which he has begun in the hearts of my people, and to him be ascribed the praise, and glory forever.

The greater part of the county is uncleared; still it is improving fast, and I hope there will soon be encouragement enough offered to induce another clergyman of the Church to settle here. To effect this, I have been preaching in different parts of the country, and hope for the future to give as much time to this work, as I can spare from my station.

Bradford county, Columbia, 24 miles east. I have visited this place twice, where I baptized one adult, and attended the funerals of two communicants of the church. There are a few episcopalians here, whose hearts I have encouraged, and if God gives me grace and strength, I will continue to encourage. This last remark will be better understood, when I state that there are preachers in these northern parts, who give little quarter to Episcopalians.

In the town of Troy, three miles beyond, I baptized two infants.

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Report of the Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rector of Zion church, Spring Garden.

Since the rector took charge of this church, in July last, there have been—baptized, adults, 6; infants, 11; total, 17; confirmed, 13; married, 3; communicants, 19.

The corner stone of this church, which was incorporated April 2d, 1836, was laid with appropriate ceremonies by the Bishop of the diocese, September 5th, 1838. Immediately after laying the corner stone application was made for the possession of the ground that the superstructure might be commenced. The application was not complied with, and the consequence was, considerable loss and great delay. Since that time every exertion has been made by the Vestry (but without success) to obtain possession of the lot on which the corner stone was laid. For circumstances over which they had no control they are reluctantly compelled to abandon that site for another, on which they fondly hope soon to erect a neat and commodious edifice for the accommodation of an increasing congregation.

The prospects of the church continue good—the congregation still continue to worship at the corner of Marshal and Willow streets, and can boast a large number of sound and

devoted churchmen. The good old paths are the paths in which they delight to walk—adhering with great strictness to the form of sound words—the services of the church are conducted as they ought to be, and all things are done by them "decently and in order." A flourishing Sunday school is attached to the church which would receive additions but for want of suitable accommodations.

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Report of the Rev. S. P. Brincklé, one of the Assistant Ministers of the Swedish Churches near Philadelphia.

The undersigned still continues to labour at St. James's Church, Kingsessing—one of three United Swedish Churches, in the vicinity of Philadelphia. The corporation in question not being in connexion with the Episcopal Church, a particular detail of services will not be expected in this place. With much to discourage, growing out of the peculiar organization of these Churches, there are yet some circumstances of comfort in his field of labour—some faint glimmerings of a day of better things—but for which, he should almost have given up in despair. Now and then, our hearts are gladdened by seeing a stray sheep re-enter the fold of Christ—engendering a blessed hope that HE with whom is the residue of the Spirit, can cause that even these dry bones shall live. Kind and affectionate, this people lack but one thing; which, however, in the Omniscient view, is every thing.

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Report of the Rev. Wm. Bryant, Missionary, Rector of All Saint's Church, Moyamensing, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 33; total, 34; confirmed, 6; communicants, added, 4; present number, 51; marriages, 1; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 40; total, 144; children catechized, 30; times, 9; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 60; female, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 60; total schools, 2; teachers, 24; pupils, 120; bible classes, 1; members, 6; Collections, Episcopal Fund, $2.35; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $6,69; Missionary and other purposes, $70,61; Convention fund, $4,67; total, $84,32.

Our little hill is faithful in peace and harmony.

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Report of the Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, Rector of St. John's Church, Pequea, Chester county.

Congregation, families, 53; baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 17;

total 21; communicants, added, 3; died or removed, 5; present number, 41; marriages, 7; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 32; other days, 12; total, 44; children catechized, 30; times, 6; total schools, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 30; Collections, Episcopal Fund, $3,12½; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $7; Missionary and other purposes, $43,32: total, $53,44½.

Soon after the last Convention, the Vestry took active measures towards the erection of the New Church, to which I referred in my last report. The corner stone was laid by the Bishop on Thursday June 21, and on Christmas day the Church was ready for use. On Whitsunday it is to be consecrated to the service and worship of God. It is a handsome and convenient building, and will accommodate between 4 and 500 persons, twice the number which the old Church accommodates. The prospect of a corresponding increase in the size of the congregation is encouraging.

Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster Co.

Congregation, families, 46, baptisms, children, 13; communicants, added, 1; removed, 2; total, 32; marriages, 2; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 28; other days, 5; total, 33; children catechized, 30; times, 6; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 50; Collections, Episcopal Fund, $6,58; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $5; Misssionary and other purposes, $37,95; total, 49,53.

Report of the Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Chester County, Bangor Church, Lancaster county, and St. Thomas's Church, Berks county.

St. Mary's Church, Chester County.

Communicants, about 81; Baptisms, children, 5; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 7; pupils generally in attendance, 45.

Bangor Church, Lancaster County.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 8; total, 9; communicants, about 47; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 50.

St. Thomas's Church, Berks County.

Baptisms, adult, 1; communicants, about 40; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 45; funerals in none of these parishes known; marriages in all three, 6.

Report of the Rev. John A. Clark, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 300; baptisms, adults, 24; infants, 32; total, 56; confirmed, 41; communicants, added, 53; died or removed, 16; present number, 510; marriages, 10; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 40; total, 144; Sundays schools, male 3; teachers, 20; pupils, 200; Female, 4; teachers, 35; pupils, 400; total, schools, 7; teachers, 55; pupils, 600; bible classes, 7; members, 112; Collections, Episcopal Fund, $44,08; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $115,77, Missionary and other purposes, $1641; total, $1800,85.

The rector having been absent in Europe for the benefit of his health, only returned to resume the duties of this Parish, in the autumn of last year, since which period he has had abundant cause for gratitude to the great head of the church for the many marked tokens of divine favor that have attended his labours.

Report of the Rev. J. C. Clay, Rector of the Swedish churches.

Gloria Dei Church.

Baptisms, 78; marriages, 51; confirmed, 6; communicants, about 40; families not known; public services, on Sundays, 104; on week days, 35; total, 139; children catechised, about 50; times, 6; Sunday schools, 2; Infant schools, 1; teachers in female school, 10; scholars, about 75; in male school, teachers, 7; scholars, about 60; Library in male school, 140 vols.; in female do., 250; contributions to the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, $20; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, $15; General Domestic Missions, $20; Female Episcopal Tract Society, $10; Philadelphia Bible Society, $10; total, $75.

The rector regrets that he has nothing favourable to report in relation to the wished-for connection of the churches of which he has charge, with the Convention of the diocese. While such connection is desired by many of the members, it is objected to by others, and without unanimity the object cannot be accomplished. Prejudice, however, in regard to this measure is gradually giving way, and though the proposed connection be delayed, there is no doubt of its ultimate accomplishment.

The rector officiates at each of the Swedish churches in the county, once a month. As the clergymen connected with him

as assistant ministers devote their attention particularly to those churches, he refers to their reports for the services performed there.

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Report of the Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.

This church is in a condition no less flourishing than at the last report. The attendance has considerably increased,—many have been added to the Lord. The regular services, are two on the Lord's day, a lecture on Wednesday evening, and a bible class on Saturday evening. There are also services occasionally on some of the seasons, celebrating the Festivals and Fasts of the church.

The Sunday schools are very much in the same condition. They are regarded by the rector as a mighty auxiliary in his labours, and are managed by a band of affectionate, devoted, untiring, and pious teachers, who are always ready to hold up his hands and encourage his heart. He feels blessed indeed in having such aids, while exercising the arduous duties of the ministry.

The prosperity of this church may be judged of by the consideration, that though not three years have elapsed since its consecration, yet it is large in numbers, extensive in influence, and promises soon to be conspicuous among its sister churches of the city.

Collections have been made for various objects recommended by the church.

There have been—marriages, 18; burials, 13; confirmed 35; baptised, adults, 10; infants, 68; total, 78; communicants added, 54; removed, 9; deceased, 3; present number, 166.

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Report of the Rev. John Coleman, Rector of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 187; adults, 548; children, 320; total 868. Baptisms, adults, 11; infants, 50; total, 61; confirmed 18; communicants, last reported, 225; added, 34; died, 5; removed, 22; present number, 232; marriages, 17, burials, 26; public services, on Sundays, 111, other days, 49; total 160; children catechized, 350; times, 12; monthly in the church. Sunday Schools; male, 3; teachers, 19; pupils, 180; Female, 3; teachers, 34; pupils, 295; total, schools, 6; teachers, 53; pupils, 475; bible class, 1; (female,) members, 60; taught weekly

by the Rector; collections, Episcopal fund, $50; Convention fund, $20; Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, $50; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, $50; Missionary, Parochial, and other purposes, $553 17. The Rector has preached elsewhere 48 times, and officiated at 16 funerals without the parish.

Report of the Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rector of Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford County.

Congregation, families, 44; adults, 98; children, 75; total, 173; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 12; total, 13; confirmed; 9; communicants, added, 3; died or removed, 6; present number, 62; marriages, 3; burials, 9; public services, on Sundays, 97; other days, 62; total, 159; children catechized; times, 3; Sunday Schools, male, teachers, 8; pupils, 44; female, teachers, 10; pupils, 36; total, schools, 1; teachers, 18; pupils, 80; collections, total, $127.

In the above number of burials is included that of the Rev. John Taylor, at whose funeral I read the burial service, and preached in Mercer county. And besides the Sunday services in the foregoing report, I have preached four times at a school house in the country.

Report of the Rev. Robert Davis.

Since the last convention, I have performed divine service and preached but once; I would not have officiated in that one instance, but for the sudden illness of a brother, the Rev. Mr. Phillips, Cattskill, New York. I need not repeat my reasons for not being employed in the appropriate duties of my profession.

Report of the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D. Rector of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 10; infants, 100; total, 110; confirmed, 34; communicants, added, 26; died or removed, 14; present number, 206; marriages, 7; burials, 21; public services, on Sundays, 108; other days, 66; total 174; children catechized, 150; times, 7; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 11; pupils, 90; female, 2; teachers, 35; pupils, 253; parish adult school, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 25; parish day school, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 100; total, schools, 5; teachers, 54; pupils, 468; collections, for the Episcopate, $200; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $497; Missionary and other purposes, $2428; total, $3125.

The general condition of the parish is prosperous. The several schools continue to flourish in numbers and efficiency.—Funds have been contributed to erect a new Sunday school house, which will be completed during the summer. The plan of quarterly collections for church objects, continues with undiminished success. The average amount of the collections in church, since the last report, for each quarter, is $634, and the whole sum raised through this medium, amounts to $3125, in addition to the subscriptions of about $2000, to build the Sunday school house, and to contributions for other purposes which could not be here named. I have statedly officiated at Christ church hospital, which contains 35 inmates. In consequence of my election to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York, this parish will become vacant on my consecration to that high office. I desire to leave on record my testimony to the uniform kindness received from the vestry and congregation, to their ready reception of my instructions, to their liberality and zeal, to their love of peace and good order in the church, to their unwavering attachment to the Gospel of Christ, the doctrine, worship, and usages of his Church, and the authorities and institutions of the Diocese. With humble gratitude, I bless God, who giveth the increase, for the success he has vouchsafed to my defective labours; and for having cast my lot in a parish, and in a Diocese where I have received uninterrupted kindness, and the most affectionate attentions. I separate from my Bishop, parish, and brethren, both of the clergy and laity, with emotions of sorrow, tempered only by convictions of duty, and by the full persuasion that I shall be followed in my new sphere of labor by their fervent and affectionate prayers.

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Report of the Rev. William N. Diehl, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, (Swedish,) Upper Merion, Montgomery county.

Baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 1; total, 4; communicants, present number, 32; confirmed, 6; burials, 5; marriages, 4; public services on Sundays, 52; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 5; scholars, 30.

In St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh, Montgomery county, divine service has been performed once a month during the year—Baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 2; confirmed, 3.

Report of the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, in the City of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 200; baptisms, adults, 11; infants, 38; total, 49; confirmed, 40; communicants, added, 40; died or removed, 10; present number, 250; marriages, 12; burials, 38; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 121; total, 225; children catechized, 250; times, 10; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 67; female, 3; teachers, 32; pupils, 214; total, schools, 4; teachers, 42; pupils, 281; collections, Episcopal Fund, $50 53; Society Advancement of Christianity, $330; Missionary and other purposes, $2379 67; total, 2760 20.

The system of quarterly collections for Church objects continues to be successful. The amount thus collected the past year, is $1657 79. Of the whole amount contributed by this parish since the last report, there has been appropriated to Sunday schools, $370 65; Missions, $11 39; Prayer Book Societies, $141 61; Diocesan and Episcopal Funds, $100 53; aiding poor Churches, $309; General Theological Seminary, $300; poor of the congregation, $399 41; total, $2760 20.

The rector desires to acknowledge, with devout thankfulness, the increasing prosperity of his parish, in both its spiritual and temporal concerns.

Report of the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, infants, 16; communicants, removed, 6; present number, 15; Sunday school, male teacher, 1; female, 5; children about 70.

The rector desires to be thankful to the Lord, for the amount of good which has been effected in his Church. The Sunday school which was, at one time, quite deprived of teachers, is now provided, several pious young ladies, and a gentleman, from the larger churches in the city, having volunteered their services in the laudable employment of teaching the young the way to Christ and to glory. The Church is well attended, not only in the morning, but likewise in the evening. During the last year, there has been a remarkable improvement in the attendance on the evening services. The Church is, unfortunately, not well located, or a greater interest might be excited. It is too retired; it is too far removed from the main street. When the Girard College, in

the vicinity, is completed, it will be found necessary to have a new and more commodious edifice erected, and one which shall be more easy of access than the present.

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Report of the Rev. William Douglass, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, in the City of Philadelphia.

Congregation, familics, 90; adults, about 400 ; children, 175 ; total, 575 ; baptisms, adults, 2 ; infants, 20 ; total, 22 ; confirmed, 4 ; communicants, added, 2 ; died or removed, 4 ; present number, 90 ; marriages, 6 ; burials, 13 ; public services, on Sundays, 108 ; other days, 58 ; total, 166 ; Sunday schools, male, 1 ; teachers, 9 ; pupils, 97; female, 1 ; teachers, 10; pupils, 102 ; total, schools, 2 ; teachers, 19 ; pupils, 199 ; bible class, 1 ; members, 25.

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Report of the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, D. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 4 ; infants, 41 ; total, 45 ; confirmed, 16; marriages, 12 ; burials, 13. The number of communicants is not exactly ascertained, but is about 240. Public services, on Sundays, 112; other days, 35 ; total, 147. The children have been frequently catechized in the Sunday school ; and publicly in the Church every Sunday afternoon during Lent and for some weeks after Easter.

Contributions, Episcopal Fund, $53 ; Advancement Society, $218 16 ; Convention fund, $50 ; total, ascertained for various purposes, $1,111 46. A considerable amount besides has been raised, but, having been obtained by subscriptions, cannot be known.

Instead of the usual exercises of the bible class, I substituted, during the past year, a course of lectures on the 39 articles, which I continued until the present month.

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Report of the Rev. Charles M. Dupuy.

In conformity with the requisition of the Canon, I repeat that I have been as frequent in the discharge of clerical duties as the state of my health would permit. I have preached in various Churches and most of the public Institutions, administered the Holy Communion and visited the sick.

Since my last report I have baptised two adults.

Report of the Rev. George C. Drake, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg, and missionary to Christ Church, Jersey Town, and St. Gabriel's Church, Sugar Loaf, Columbia County.

St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg.

Congregation, families, 49; baptisms, infants, 11; communicants, added, 2; removed, 6; present number, 69; public services, on Sundays, 48; other days, 45; total, 93; marriages, 10; burials, 4; children catechized, in Sunday school; Sunday schools, 1; male teachers, 8; female teachers, 13; total, teachers, 21; pupils, male, 25; female, 40; total, 65; bible class, 1; collections, Episcopal Fund, $3,33; Soc. for the Adv. of Christianity, $5,48; Convention Fund, $4,36½; Missionary, Sunday school, and Parish purposes, about 47; total, $60,17½.

The tower of the Church is now finished, in which a bell, weighing three hundred and ten pounds, has been placed, which is of very good tone and respectable power. The spiritual condition of the congregation is encouraging.

Christ Church, Jerseytown.

Congregation, families, 16; baptisms, infants, 9; communicants, added, 2; present number, 26; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 20; other days, 12; total, 32; Collections, Missionary society, $4,37½.

A subscription has lately been circulated for painting and otherwise improving the Church, and fencing the Church lot.

St. Gabriel's Church, Sugar Loaf.

Baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, added, 4; present number, 19; public services, on Sundays, 9; other days, 11; total, 20; marriages, 1; Collections have been taken up during the year, but not yet handed over.

It is gratifying to state of this Church, that though they are surrounded with error, and exposed to the arts of seducing teachers, they still maintain the stedfastness of their faith in Christ.

Orangeville.

Baptisms, infants, 1; burials, 1; public services, Sundays, 10; other days, 1.

Besides the services enumerated in the foregoing reports, there are to be added, preaching twice at Wilkesbarre, twice at Danville, twice at Mauch Chunk, and twice at Muncy.

Report of the Rev. Walter E. Franklin, Rector of Grace Church, Honesdale, and Truth Church, Bethany, Wayne County.

During the period from May 1st. 1838, to September 1st of the same year, I had charge of St. John's Parish in York, and on the 1st of September I took charge of this Parish, which includes Grace Church, Honesdale, and Truth Church, Bethany. There have been 2 adult and 1 infant baptism, total of baptisms, 3. We have had no visit from the Bishop during the year, and can of course report no confirmations. 4 have been added to the communion; 4 communicants have removed from the parish, and the present number of communicants is 21. There have been 2 marriages and no burials. The public services, on Sundays have been 79, besides 6 at Prompton; other days, 17. The Sunday school numbers 11 teachers, and about 48 scholars. Collections, Soc. for the Adv. of Chris. $15,07¼; Sunday school and S. S. Library, $13; Convention Fund, $5; total, $33,07¼.

Report of the Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette county, and St. Peter's Church, Pike Run, Washington Co.

Christ Church, Fayette County.

Congregation, families, 40; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 9; total, 11; confirmed, 14; communicants, added, 13; died or removed; 7; present number, 50; marriages, 6; burials, 9; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 164; children catechized, 25; times, 12; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 25; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 13; pupils, 55; bible classes, 1; members, 12; Collections, Convention Fund, $10; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $15; missionary and other purposes, $302,43, total, $327.43.

The state of this Parish is sufficiently encouraging to stimulate its Rector to renewed and greater efforts for its prosperity, than he has heretofore made. There is a good degree of unanimity existing in the congregation; and a hearty desire on the part of many, to co-operate with their pastor in efforts to promote the interest of the Church of God, and win souls to Christ, its exalted Head. The ladies are active in raising funds, by the use of their needle, for the purchase of lamps and other furniture for the Church, and by their own donations, and the donations of the members of the congregation in general, secured by their solicitation, they are affording the lamp of the word of God, to those who have it not.

St. Peter's Church, Pike Run, Washington Co.

There has been no improvement in the state of this Church since the last Convention. Three persons were confirmed by the Bishop when he last visited the parish, who were added at the same time to the communion.

Most of the communicants have removed from the parish, who were interested in the welfare of the Church, and on whom the Rector could rely for co-operation with him in efforts to promote the interests of religion.

Report of the Rev. Patrick H. Greenleaf, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland County.

Congregation, families, 60: total, about 300: baptisms, infants, 10: confirmed, 6: communicants, added, 11: died or removed, 10: present number, 72: marriages, 1: burials, 5: public services, on Sundays, 75: other days, 39: total, 114: children catechized, 6 times: Sunday schools, male and female united: teachers, 17: pupils, about 100: bible class, 1: members, about 25.

This Parish continues in the prosperous condition reported last year. The public services are well attended, and in its temporal affairs there is a decided improvement. The Church edifice has been thoroughly repaired and painted—the public square, within which it stands, has been enclosed and ornamented with trees, and the entire revenues of the Corporation given to the support of the Rector. Its spiritual condition has not kept pace with its temporal, but there are sufficient indications of improvement to cause the Rector to "thank God and take courage."

Since the last report, three of the Sunday School teachers have joined the communion of the Church, making 13 out of 17 teachers who are the professed disciples of Jesus. The faithful instructions of such persons cannot fail to be accompanied by the divine blessing, and although, from various causes, the numbers of the pupils have lessened, the condition of the Sunday School is in all respects much improved.

The Bible Class has been continued under a system similar to that formerly reported; but less interest has been manifested in it than in the preceding year.

The Parish Library has been greatly enlarged, and is opened at the entrance of the Church at the close of every Sunday's services. It has been used by the parishioners with much interest, and it is hoped, much profit.

The Rector has preached occasionally at the borough Poor House, at Chambersburg, and at one or two places in the country around. Although circumstances have prevented the formation of a Parish at Chambersburg, he is of the opinion that this and the adjoining counties, form as good a missionary field as any in the Diocese. Means of support, sufficient to make the trial, can be furnished from the Parochial Missionary Fund.

The apostolic plan of offerings for religious purposes, "*on the first day of the week*," has been steadily pursued in this Parish, and with much success.

The Rector desires again to record his grateful sense of the continued affectionate attentions of his people, and his fervent prayer that the richest blessings of the Christian Covenant may rest upon them and their children forever.

Report of the Rev. Richard D. Hall, Rector of St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia.

The Rector reports that he was called to the charge of St. Mary's church in August last, and that there has been a great increase in his congregation; the pews are nearly all rented, and the Wardens intend making more in the two vacancies near the pulpit. A bell weighing 400lbs. has been placed in the tower, and a number of conveniences have been procured for the better ordering of divine service. The number of families is about 40; present attendants on public worship, about 200; communicants, about 35; as yet no Sunday school, but it is contemplated. In short, the prospect is *every way* encouraging in this parish, and the Rector finds warm hearts and liberal hands for the prosperity of the church. Already more than three hundred dollars have been obtained for the various purposes in the premises.

Report of the Rev. N. S. Harris, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, in Southwark, county of Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 11; infants, 75; total, 86; confirmed, 41; communicants, added, 11; died or removed, 4; present number, 48; 37 to be added on Whitsunday; total, 85; married, 5; burials, 16; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 52; total, 156; children catechised every Sunday; Sunday schools, males, 1; teachers, 14; pupils, 144; female, 1; teachers, 19; pupils, 173; infant schools, 1; teachers 5; pupils 170; total, schools, 3; teachers 38; pupils, 447; bible classes, 2; collections, Society

for the Advancement of Christianity, $20; missionary and other purposes, $20; total, $40.

The church purchased for this congregation was consecrated on the 14th of April, 1839.—It is not yet paid for. A meritorious effort, we rely upon the liberality of the Episcopalians of this city to sustain it.

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Report of the Rev. J. L. Harrison, Rector of Christ church, Greensburg.

My services to the congregation of Christ church, Greensburg, as the Rector, commenced on the 18th November last, since which time the church has been opened for the celebration of public worship every Lord's day, and I am inclined to think that the prospect is of a promising character.

Funerals, 1 infant; marriages, 2; collections, for the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, $10; for the Diocesan Fund, $4 56; no other collections have been made, not having a copy of the Canons of the Diocese I do not know what collections are required. Sunday scholars, female, 20; male, 14; total 34.

As the principal of the Greensburgh Female Seminary, I have to attend to the instruction of about 30 pupils.

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Report of the Rev. Wm. Hilton, Rector of St. Paul's church, West Whiteland, Chester county.

Baptisms, infants, 2; communicants, added, 2; died or removed 1; present number, 32; marriages, 2; burials, 2: public services, on Sundays 52; other days, 27; total, 79; children catechised, 24; times, 4; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 18; female, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 29; total, schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 47; bible classes, 1; members, 15; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $5 75; Missionary and other purposes, $35; total, $40 75.

In addition to the regular services in the church on Sundays and other days, our weekly lecture is still continued during the winter, in a school house near the church. And although in regard to spiritual things, nothing special has taken place during the past year, yet still the Rector is happy in having good grounds to believe that his labours, during that period, have not been in vain.

Our Sunday school still continues its useful labours—imparting to the young a knowledge of those things that belong to their everlasting peace. The Rector cannot mention in terms

of praise sufficiently high, the devotedness of that little band of teachers who assist him in the discharge of this important part of his duty.

It affords the Rector great pleasure, also, in stating that, during the past year, a few of the ladies of his congregation, have, with praiseworthy zeal for the prosperity of the church, formed themselves into a sewing society; the avails of whose labours, for the present year, will be applied to the wants of our own church; but in future, they will flow into some of those channels of Christian benevolence, now open in the church, for extending the Redeemer's kingdom on the earth.

The Rector is also happy in being able to state, that the debt with which this congregation has been burdened ever since the erection of its church, is now liquidated.

St. Peter's church, Great Valley, Chester county.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 1; total, 2; communicants, added, 1; present number, 27; marriages, 1; collections, Convention Fund, $10; missionary and other purposes, $12 50; total, $22 50.

Although during the past year, there has not been such a marked progress in divine things, as the Rector could have desired; yet there has evidently been a growing interest in the minds of many of his hearers, in regard to those things which belong to their everlasting peace, and he would fain hope, that the time appointed of the Lord, to favour this portion of his Zion, is not far distant, when there shall be many "added to the Church of such as shall be saved."

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Report of the Rev. Joseph Jaquett.

During the past ecclesiastical year I have been daily employed in teaching Theological students the Hebrew language, and I have also performed such ministerial duties as opportunity and physical ability would permit.

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Report of the Rev. C. V. Kelly, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg, from the first of October, 1838, to the first of May, 1839.

Number of pew holders on the first of October, 1838, when the present rector took charge, 29; added since, 22; total, 51; number of communicants on the first of October, 1838, 41; added since, 11; total, 52; left the town since the first of

April, 8; total, 44; baptisms, 6; confirmed, 2; marriage, 1; deaths, 3.

The children of the congregation are catechized on the first Sunday of each month. The services in the Church are as follows—on Sunday, two; on Thursday evening of each week, one; during each week of Lent, two; every day in Passion week, besides on the other festivals and fasts of the Church.

Collcctions are as follows—from the first of October, 1838, to the first of April, 1839: for the propagation of the Gospel in this Diocese. $23 50; Domestic Missionary Fund, $34; Foreign do. $17; African Mission, $10; Diocese of Illinois, $5; for Sunday school purposes, $10; Convention Fund, $21; other collections within the last six months, $300. The rector refers to the report of the state of the Sunday school attached to his Church, already forwarded to the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union.

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Report of the Rev. B. B. Killikelly, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Kittanning, and St. Michael's Church, Wayne Township, Armstrong county.

Saint Paul's Church, Kittanning.

Congregation, families, 33; adults, 88; children, 85; total, 170; baptisms, children, 20; confirmed, 12; communicants, added, 5; died or removed, 4; present number, 23: burials, 6: public services, on Sundays, 45: other days, 2: total, 47: Sunday schools, 1: male teachers, 3: male pupils, 8: female teachers, 4: female pupils, 17: total, schools, 1: teachers, 7: pupils, 25: bible class, none distinct from the Sunday school: collections, Convention Fund, $3 50.

St. Michael's Church, Wayne Township.

Congregation, families, 30: adults, 93: children, 79: total, 172: baptisms, children, 11: confirmed, 31: communicants, added, 11: died or removed, 3: present number, 49: marriages, 1: burials, 1: public services, on Sundays, 24: other days, 4: total, 28: Sunday schools, 1: male teachers, 5: male pupils, 20; female teachers, 1: female pupils, 15: total, schools, 1: teachers, 6: pupils, 35: collections, for parochial purposes, $13 42.

In my report of last year I held out the prospect of being able to raise a congregation in Red Bank township, and I am now happy to state that my wishes have been accomplished

in the organization of the parish of St. Ann's. Early in November, I relinquished the charge of this congregation to the Rev. Joseph Adderly. It then numbered 17 families; 24 communicants: 6 Sunday school teachers, and 45 pupils: 16 persons had also been confirmed: 8 public services held: and 8 children baptized.

Report of the Rev. George Kirke, Missionary, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Yardleyville, and Grace Church, Hulmeville.

It is with the mingling feelings of humiliation and thankfulness that the Minister of these parishes adverts to their condition. While there is reason to believe that an increasing interest is taken in the services of the Church, it is not doubtful that most, even of those most seriously disposed, are but almost persuaded to become devoted followers of the meek and lowly Jesus. The Lord's supper has been administered twice at St. Andrew's, with the addition of two communicants. One, however, having died, and the other removed, we have now again, strictly speaking, no communicants belonging to this Church. There have been 68 public services in this parish, and 3 burials. At Grace Church, there have been 60 public services, the communion has been administered three times, and two have been added, making the present number five. There has been one confirmed, one marriage, and one burial in a free grave-yard in the neighbourhood. In this parish there is a bible class, and a large Sunday school. Since the rector of these Churches removed to Newtown, the Sunday school of St. Andrew's, which was held at his house during the winter, has been discontinued for want of teachers. Collections have been taken up in both Churches for the Society for the Advancement of Christianity, the Convention Fund, and other purposes. At Grace Church, upwards of $100 have been raised by the ladies of the congregation, for the purpose of paying for the church-yard, and at St. Andrew's, $65 more of the debt on the Church have been paid off by the liberality of brethren at a distance; while improvements have been, and are again about to be made in the church edifice. Besides the regular public services which have been performed in these churches, and a few in distant places; a multitude of families have been visited, especially in Yardleyville and its vicinity, and the gospel has been liberally preached from house to house.

Report of the Rev. W. B. Lacey, D. D. Rector of St. Paul's Church, Laceyville, Allegheny county.

Baptism of infants, 10; adults, 2: communicants, 10: confirmed, 8.

Report of the Rev. Freeman Lane, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Springville, Susquehanna county.

Congregation, families, 39; adults, 118; children, 62; total, 180; baptisms, infants, 4; communicants, present number, 37; marriages, 4; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 48: collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $2; Missionary and other purposes, $5 12; total $7 12.

The system of Sunday school instruction will be attended to, as soon as a collection of books, which the benevolence of several ladies of Germantown has procured, shall have arrived—they are expected in a few days. Nothing of importance has occurred since the last report. It may be well, however, to state that on Easter Monday there was the most interesting meeting, *in some respects*, that has been held in the church for many years. Were it not for one thing, the triumphant prosperity of this church would be unquestionable.

St. Matthew's Church, Pike, Bradford County.

Present number of communicants, 23; public services, on Sundays, 24; collection for the Convention Fund, $23 71.

It may be interesting to state that the support of your missionary, for half of the time, the present year, in this parish, has been raised principally by the young ladies and gentlemen to the very great encouragement of those who have heretofore borne the chief burden of supporting the gospel in this place. It may be proper also to remark that his salary for the year ending last Easter, from both of his parishes, including the Missionary stipend, but exclusive of donations from abroad, has not exceeded two hundred and fifty dollars. His limited support and the embarrassments growing out of it, have been a check upon his usefulness, by compelling him to labour with his hands to guard against the reproach of denying the faith, because he provides not for his own household. He is resolved, however, to let none of those things trouble him any longer, but labour for the Church and toil for the furtherance of the Gospel, till labour and toil shall end.

Report of the Rev. Alfred Lee, Rector of Calvary Church, Rockdale, Delaware county.

Congregation, families, 40; average attendance, 250; baptisms, (prior to Oct. 1st, per register, adults, 4;) since Oct. 1st, infants, 4; adults, 4; total, adults, 8; infants, 4; communicants, Oct. 1st, 16; added, 17; present number, 33; confirmed, (prior to Oct. 1st,) 23; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 42; other days, 28: Sunday school, male teachers, 9; female, 12; total, 21; male scholars, 75: female, 115: total, 190: collections, Society for Advancement of Christianity, $10: Missionary and other purposes, $38; total, $48.

This church became vacant in July last, by the resignation of the Rev. Marmaduke Hirst. The present Rector entered upon his duties upon the first Sunday in October, and his report embraces only the intervening time. The church, however was regularly opened during the vacancy, through the kind assistance chiefly of the city clergy. Its present condition and prospects are encouraging. The attendance on the services, as well as the interest manifested in them has increased, and as the church becomes better known, it has gained in the affection and confidence of the community. The Sunday school has been much prospered, and there is a degree of serious attention both in the school and congregation highly cheering to the pastor. The friends of the church are now exerting themselves for the completion of the building, and there is reason to hope that this will be effected in the course of next fall.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Tiffany Lord, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Milford, Susquehannah county, and Missionary.

Congregation, families not yet fully ascertained, supposed to be about 23: baptisms, adults, 1: infants, 3: total, 4: communicants, added, 1: present number supposed to be about 30; public services, on Sundays, 18: marriages, 1: Sunday school, lately opened, teachers, males, 4: females, 3: total 7: scholars, males, 13: females, 16: total, 29: collections, convention fund, $4 65: Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $18 32: other purposes, $16: total, $38 97.

The Ladies Sewing Society, though small, has done something, and pledged themselves for enough to pay for a communion set, and a carpet for the church, already obtained.

The congregation too has manifested a commendable zeal in an effort to secure the entire services of a clergyman, in-

stead of the one half formerly enjoyed, which effort has been crowned with success.

From the short time I have had charge of this parish, having commenced here on the last Sunday in February, and from there being no parish register, I am unable to give so full a report as would be desirable. Our prospects on the whole are encouraging.

Before commencing here, I was stationed at Waterford, Erie county, and Rockville, Crawford county, of which the following is my report.

Baptisms, infants, 2: in other places, 3: total, 5: confirmed, 3; communicants, removed, 3: added, 4: present number, 28: public services, on Sundays, 78: other days, 14: other places, on Sundays, 26: other days, 8: total, 126: marriages, 1, at Meadville: children catechized in the Sunday school in Rockville, and in Waterford, in my own room: collections, for parochial purposes, $7 25.

Report of the Rev. Alfred Louderback, Rector of Christ church, Danville, Columbia county, and St. Matthew's church, Sunbury, Northumberland county, and Missionary.

Christ Church, Danville.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 30; children, 27; total in attendance, varying from 50 to 130; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 1; communicants, added, 5; removed, 1; present number, 12; mariages, 2; burials, 2; public services, 2 every other Sabbath, and one every Friday evening; Sunday school, male teachers, 5; female, 6; pupils, about 60; collections, for Bishop White Prayer Book Society, $5.

St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury.

Congregation, families 22; adults, 63; children, 35; total in attendance, about 130; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 4; communicants, added, 1; present number, 13; marriages, 1; burials, 1; public services, 2 every other Sabbath; Sabbath school, male teachers, 6; female teachers, 8; pupils about 70.

In both of these parishes the prospect of building up the Church is encouraging. But it will require time, patience, effort, and dependence upon the blessing of God. They are yet in their infancy. In consequence of severe and protracted illness in the Rector's family, his regular duties have been much interrupted for several months past. Hence among other things of necessity neglected, are the required collec-

tions. Hoping to be able to resume his duties again, the Rector is encouraged to look to God for success in his efforts to advance the cause of Christ, and save the souls of men.

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Report of the Rev. J. B. Noblit, Rector of St. Mark's church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

Baptisms, infants, 5; communicants, died, 1; present number, 20; marriages, 1.

Since the late and highly esteemed Rector resigned his charge in September last, the church has been closed, in consequence of which very little material presents itself for report. This church has heretofore been connected with St. John's church, Huntington, and St. Stephen's, Thompsontown, which connexion has been, and is now discontinued; not from any disposition on the part of the congregation to deprive their brethren from having the "Word preached," but from a conviction that the church will not prosper *in this place*, without a regular service. Therefore they have determined, by the blessing of God, and the assistance of their brethren, to support a clergyman the whole of his time.

The Sunday school, which has been under the superintendance of a devoted layman of the Church, is now flourishing. Present number of teachers, 13; scholars, 70.

The services of the church are well attended, particularly at night, and harmony and good feeling seem to prevail among our people, and we trust the *Great Head* of the Church will more abundantly shed abroad in our hearts a love of His name, increase in us true religion, and nourish us with all goodness, and bring many who never knew him to a saving knowledge of the truth, as it is in Jesus Christ.

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Report of the Rev. Alfred A. Miller, Rector of Trinity church, Pottsville, Schuylkill county.

Congregation, families, 63; adults, 155; children, 106; total, 261; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 33; total, 35; confirmed, 8; communicants, added, 7; removed, 1; present number 31; marriages, 4; burials, 18; public services, on Sundays, 96; other days, 29; total, 125; children catechised, 100; times, 3; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 90; female, 1; teachers, 18; pupils, 115; total, schools, 2; teachers, 28; pupils, 205; collections, Episcopal Fund, $20 33; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $20; General Missionary purpo-

ses, $17; Sunday schools, $30; Convention Fund, $5; Parish purposes $306 25; total, $398 58.

From the above statistics of the parish, there appears an increase in the number of its members, which may be considered a favourable sign in its present condition, particularly as two families have been lost by removal to the city. The fluctuating character of our community producing changes in the congregation, has always proved a source of discouragement, and during the past year there has been experienced the loss of valuable members, while others have been added. From these additions, there has been an increase to the number of communicants which forms the most encouraging promise in the parish; the monied affairs of the parish are not yet in the condition we desire, as various causes, during the past year, have combined to prevent our accomplishing as much as was anticipated: the various collections for all objects have been larger than during previous years, and the one made through private donations in behalf of parish objects has resulted in the improvement of our church edifice; five pews have been added, and such changes made as has caused the entire room of the building to be occupied—the whole has been repainted, and aided by the kind liberality of city friends, the chancel has been newly decorated, and altered to be more convenient for the purposes of public worship. Our Sunday schools are indebted to the teachers and scholars of St. Peter's church Sunday School, (Philad.) for a liberal donation towards the increase of their library, which has proved of essential benefit. A weekly lecture has been sustained since November, and the practice of afternoon, in place of night services, has been continued. The attendance upon all occasions of public worship has improved, and more interest been manifested in the observance of holy seasons in the church.—From a general view of the present condition of the parish, it may be thought that though there is not manifested that fullness of spiritual fruit which is earnestly desired, there has not been a falling backward, and on this is grounded the hope that future labours may, through the blessing of God, result in a more abundant harvest.

Report of the Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St. Andrew's church, West Vincent, Chester county.

Baptisms, children, 5: families, 67: communicants, added, 7: present number, 70: public services, on Sundays, 52: other days,

16: total, 68: marriages, 3: burials, 4: Sunday schools, male, 1: teachers, 4: pupils, 30: female, 1: teachers, 4: pupils, 20: total, schools, 2: teachers, 8: pupils, 50: children catechised, 20: times, 2: collections, Convention Fund, $4 23: Episcopal Fund, $4: Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $12 60: total, $20 83.

St. Mark's Church, Honeybrook Township, Chester county.

Baptisms, adults, 1: children, 4: total, 5: congregation, families, 96: communicants, added, 6: died, 2: removed 2: present number, 51: marriages, 2: burials, 1: children catechised, 12: times, 2: collections, Episcopal Fund, $2 78: Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, $13 25: total, $16 03.

Report of the Rev. T. H. Mitchell, Rector of St. John's Church, Mercer co.

At the expiration of a year, I resigned my pastoral charge of Christ Church, Allegheny—and under the direction of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity, transferred my ministerial services to Mercer county. To the town of Mercer I devote half my time, and the remainder, at present, to Newcastle, in the same county. Not having access to the previous Journals of the Convention, I am unable to state when the Parish of St. John's, Mercer, ceased to be in effective action. Not more than half a dozen Episcopalians reside there, without a place of worship, and with the *rare* services held by a transient clergyman. I now hold divine service in the Court House, morning and afternoon, on each alternate Sunday, and am then favored with a truly respectable and attentive audience. From the Ministers and Congregations of the three Christian denominations already settled here, our Episcopal services, and the small band united with myself, have received the most marked attention and Christian fellowship. We have set ourselves out to cultivate peace and co-operation, in the great work, of the salvation of sinners, and our efforts have been cordially responded to. Our duty is then plain, to exercise patient perseverance, and not only to humbly pray Almighty God to keep us from all things hurtful, but to lead us on to all things profitable for our salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

I have organized a Sunday School, which bids fair to succeed; the admirably suited Library of the Diocesan Society, has been introduced; we use no book of instruction save the

Bible and Common Prayer book; nor is it our intention to introduce any of the library works so abundantly poured into Sunday Schools; the extensively pernicious tendency of such *sort of reading*, this is not the place to enlarge upon.

Report of the Rev. R. U. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Reading, Berks County.

Congregation, families, 41: adults, 114: children, 64: total, 178: baptisms, infants, 11: confirmed, 2: communicants, added, 8: removed, 7: repelled, 1: withdrawn, 3: present number, 54, marriages, 9: burials, 3: public services, on Sundays, 104: other days, 76: total, 180: children catechized, 30: times, 12: Sunday schools, male, 2: teachers, 11: pupils, 97: female, 2: teachers, 16: pupils, 108: total, schools, 4: teachers, 27: pupils, 205: Collections, Episcopal Fund, $8: Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $13: Missionary and other purposes, $253: total, $274.

The sum of fifty-nine dollars and fifty-eight cents has been paid tothe Board of Missions. Of this amount, twenty-five dollars and twenty-six cents, were the contributions of the scholars of the Sunday school, and by them appropriated to Mrs. Hill's school at Athens; the balance was collected at the monthly missionary meetings, and applied to Domestic Missions.

A branch of the Sunday school of Christ Church, has recently been established within the bounds of the parish, and in the immediate vicinity of a large iron manufactory. It presents an encouraging prospect of usefulness. The number of teachers and scholars, is included in the above statement.

Report of the Rev. H. J. Morton, Rector of St. James's Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 168: total, 625: baptisms, adults, 6: infants, 26: total, 32: confirmed, 33: communicants, added, 60: died or removed, 10: present number, 200: marriages, 11: burials, 6: public services, on Sundays, 72; other days, 32, total, 104: children catechized, 210: times, during Lent, and up to present date: Sunday schools, male, 1: teachers, 8: pupils, 52: female, 2: teachers, 17: pupils, 214: total, schools, 3: teachers, 25: pupils,266: bible class, 1: members, 16: Collections, Episcopal Fund, $125; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $150: missionary and other purposes, $2,400: total, $2,675.

St. James' Church was closed during the months of July, August, and September, during which repairs and alterations were made in the building to the amount of $5000, which sum was raised among the members of the congregation in donations and loans. During the past year, the standing debt of the Church has been reduced to $500.

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Report of the Rev. G. W. Natt, Deacon, Missionary, Rector of St. John's Church, Bellefonte, Centre county.

Congregation, families, 24: adults, 59: children, 33: total, 92: baptisms, adults, 2: infants, 12: total, 14; confirmed, 6: communicants, added, 15: removed, 2: present number, 15: marriages, 1: burials, 3: public services, on Sundays, 71: other days, 15: total, 86: bible class, 1: members, 12: Collections, missionary and other purposes, $35.

Since the consecration of the Church edifice, which occurred on the 4th of May 1838—the prospects of the Church have become still more encouraging than before. The liberality of several members of the congregation has made provision for the extinction of the greater portion of the debt incurred in building. A few individuals have become communicants, others are apparently on the eve of taking that step, and many either regularly or frequently attend public worship, who have hitherto been utterly negligent of that duty.

This section of country contains many whose parents were members of the Church, whose earliest recollections of religion are associated with her observances, and who have never been wholly alienated from her. The old and tattered prayer-book, not unfrequently that of our mother Church, has been found to have kept fresh in their memories "the more excellent way;" and to have prepared them to hail, with pleasure, the introduction of the Church. I have occasionally officiated at Philipsburg and Lewistown. The congregation at the former place, enjoys the constant services of a lay reader.

The public services at St. John's were interrupted for a few weeks, in consequence of my state of health.

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Report of the Rev. Willie Peck, Rector of St. David's Church, Newtown, Delaware county.

Baptisms, infants, 4; communicants, 68: public services, Sundays, morning and evening: other days, in school houses and private dwellings, as opportunities offer: marriages, 2:

burials, 4: Sunday school, pupils, 52: female teachers, 4: male teachers, 2: collections, for the Convention, $1 50: for the Episcopal Fund, $5 75: for other purposes, $8 50.

It has been but a few months since the rector was called to this parish, and he is devoutly thankful for the increase of encouraging prospects.

Report of the Rev. William N. Pendleton, Rector of St. John's Church, New London ⋈ Roads and St. James' Church, West Marlborough.

The number of communicants is the same as on my last year's report, with the exception of one *removed* from St. John's Church, New London ⋈ Roads. There have been, as well as I recollect, two infant baptisms in the Church at West Marlborough, and one in St. John's Church, since my last report. The congregations at both Churches continue much the same in attendance and apparent religious condition. I have ministered to them with all fidelity, but cannot, in truth, report much apparent religious improvement in the people—may God in his wisdom give the increase. The Sunday school is much the same. The people are, or think themselves too poor, I find, to do anything, scarcely, for the enterprises of the Church—$3 only have been contributed to the general Missionary operations of the Church; there is actually no poorer Church, perhaps, in the land.

Report of the Rev. William S. Perkins, Rector of St. James' Church, Bristol.

Baptisms, infants, 19: adults, 7: marriages, 4: deaths, 12: communicants, 56: added, 13: Sunday schools, 2: scholars, 125: teachers, 12: collections, for benevolent purposes, $112: services in the Church, on Sundays, 104: on other occasions, 115.

On reviewing the labours of the past year, we have reason to thank God and take courage.

Report of the Rev. William Henry Rees, late Rector of St. David's Church, (Radnor,) Newtown, Delaware county; and Principal of the Mount Vernon Institute, Chester county, Pennsylvania.

My connection with this parish ceased on the twentieth of last September; to which time I have preached in the Church and elsewhere, 20 times, and married one couple. Not having access to the register, I am unable to report the baptisms.

The children of the congregation were catechized regularly on the first Sunday in every month.

Since my resignation of the parish, my whole attention has been devoted to the select school under my care. To the pupils, and elsewhere, I have preached, using the full service of the Church, 36 times: besides imparting to them instruction from the bible and catechism, every Sunday. I have also baptized 3 infants: married 5 couple, and attended one funeral.

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Report of the Rev. John Reynolds, late Rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, and St. James's Church, Perkiomen, Montgomery county.

St. John's Church, Norristown.

Having resigned the charge of this congregation in October last, this report extends only to that period. There has been no material alteration in the state of the Church since the last Conventional Report; the hope then expressed has been realized, in the election of the Rev. Mr. Stem, by whose exertions there is little doubt, under the blessing of God, of increased prosperity.

Families, 40: adults, 100: children, 100: total, 200: baptisms, adult, 1: children, 13: total, 14: burials, 4: public services, on Sundays, 30: other days, 2: total, 32: children catechized, 15: times, 5: communicants, 40: Sunday schools, 1: teachers, 12: scholars, 100: collections, $15.

St. James' Church, Perkiomen, Montgomery Co.

Congregation, families, 45: adults, 100: children, 150: total, 250: baptisms, adults, 3: infants, 5: total, 8: communicants, added, 6: died or removed, 3: present number, 70: burials, 7: public services, Sundays, 50: other days, 50: total, 100: Sunday school, teachers, 10: scholars, 60: bible class, 1: members, 30: collections, Missionary, $11: other purposes, $50: total, $61.

This congregation continues to flourish—the attendance on divine service is regular, and there is no doubt that the efforts of a faithful and zealous clergyman would rapidly advance its growth and welfare. May God send a man after his own heart.

Report of the Rev. G. W. Ridgely, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Newtown, Buck's county.

Communicants, added, 4: removed, 1: died, 1: whole number, 20: baptisms, 1: marriages, 1; Sunday schools, boys, 30: girls, 35: total, 65: teachers, 8.

Since the last convention, about $1300 have been subscribed by a few members of the congregation towards liquidating the debt by which the church has been encumbered, leaving a small amount still due. The prospects of the parish are encouraging, and there are many indications that the interests of Episcopacy are growing in this county.

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Report of the Rev. John Rodney, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown.

Number of communicants, 60: added, 24: removed, 6: baptisms, 6, 1 adult and 5 children; confirmed, 17: marriages, 3: burials, 2: congregation, 56 families, and about 300 individuals: religious services, 106: 1 Sunday school, 12 teachers, and 80 pupils of both sexes: children of the school and of the congregation catechized on the last Sunday of every month, and monthly collections for the cause of missions made upon the same days. The amount of such collections, together with the other contributions, given to such objects as are recommended by the General and Diocesan Conventions, is about $200.

The details of a small country congregation, from year to year, are usually too unimportant to be made the theme of any general remarks—but the report now submitted, compared with those of former years, shews a steady increase in the small but interesting parish of Germantown. During the incumbency of the present Rector, who, as one exception to the general mutability of the clergy, has now been stationary for 14 years, he has had the satisfaction of seeing his congregation trebled both in the number of its families and communicants, as well as having had other gratifying evidences of its prosperity, and the usefulness of his humble, unremitted and continued labours; the latest indication of which is the determination of the vestry to enlarge the church accommodations, and to add some ornamental and convenient appendages to the church.

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Report of the Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Northampton county.

Baptisms, infants, 17: communicants, added, 3: died or re-

moved, 2: present number about 70; marriages, 5: burials, 5: public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 17: total, 121: children catechized, 14: times, 26: bible class, 1: members, 12: collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $10: Missionary and other purposes, $525: total, $535.

The church at Easton is in a prosperous state, and supports her pastor without any further assistance from the Society for the Advancement of Christianity; the congregation have moreover purchased a parsonage, which is in part paid for.

Report of the Rev. Oliver A. Shaw, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.

Since my ordination, on Ash-Wednesday last, I have preached *twelves times*, read prayers *fifteen times*, and assisted on *two* occasions of communion.

Report of the Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford Township, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, adults, 2: infants, 22: total, 24: communicants, died or removed, 3: present number 41: marriages, 15: burials, 20: public services, on Sunday morning in the church, afternoon in the lecture room, Frankford: children catechized during the month of June: Sunday schools, 2: teachers, male, 6: female 8: pupils, 120: bible class, 1; members, 8: collections, Episcopal fund, $5 67: Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $50 04: Theological Seminary, $41 72: Foreign Mission, $21 18: Domestic, $21 18: Convention fund, $5 67: for books, $17 68: balance of debt on lecture room, $190; total, $353 14.

The Sunday school at Oxford church is necessarily, from local circumstances, discontinued during the winter. The present summer we purpose erecting a tower at the east end of the church, which will furnish a commodious vestry and Sunday school room, the funds being supplied by a family to whom the interests of this ancient church are dear. Although our prospects, at present, are not flattering, in Frankford, we are thankful that the debt on our lecture room and grounds is liquidated; we have a splendid lot, on which it is hoped, "Si Dominus voluerit," an Episcopal church will be erected.

Report of the Rev. Isaac Smith, Rector of St. James' Church, in the Borough of Muncy, Lycoming county.

Congregation, families, 43: baptisms, infants, 5: total, 5: communicants, added, 8: died, 1: removed, 1: present num-

ber, 53: marriages, 3: burials, 3: public services, on Sundays, 95: other days, 49: total, 144: children catechized in the Sunday school: Sunday school, 1: teachers, 12: pupils, male, 43: female, 37: total, 80: bible class, 1: members, 9: Society Advancement of Christianity, $8: Missionary purposes, $6 15.

During the past year, the Church has been enclosed by a neat fence, and trees have been planted about it. A room in the basement story, for the convenience of a lecture room, and Sunday school, is now nearly finished; and much is due to the liberality of Episcopalians in Philadelphia, towards this work. I am happy to state that the debt of the Church is liquidated.

I wish I could say the congregation was as prosperous in spiritual, as in temporal things. During the last winter, the congregation, in some degree, dwindled, but since the spring has opened, prospects seem to be more favorable, and I hope may still brighten.

At present, there seems to be but little prospect of establishing the Church at Williamsport, or of reviving it at Milton. Other denominations have pre-occupied the ground, and strong prejudice bids defiance to all attempts in favour of our liturgy. Other days, and more prosperous, may come, for which I will still labour and pray, but till then, there can be but small hope of success.

The Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, Montgomery county,

Reports that after the last Convention he continued in the exercise of his ministry, in St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg, until the first of July, at which time he relinquished the charge of that congregation. In the month of February, he accepted the rectorship of St. John's Church, Norristown—but owing to the shortness of his residence there, and the severe indisposition under which he has laboured, part of the time, he is unable to make a definite report of the state of the parish. Judging, however, from the attendance at Church, and the general aspect of affairs, he is encouraged to hope for favourable things.

Since the last Convention, he has baptized two children, attended two funerals, and solemnized three marriages.

Report of the Rev. William Suddards, Rector of Grace Church, in the City of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 212: adults, 490: children, 470:

total, 960: baptisms, adults, 18: infants, 32: total, 50: confirmed, 53: communicants, added, 60: died or removed, 14: present number, 309: marriages, 28: burials, 12: public services, on Sundays, 104: other days, 70: total, 174: children catechized monthly: Sunday schools, male, 1: teachers, 20: pupils, 155: female, 1: teachers, 18: pupils, 186: total, schools, 2: teachers, 38: pupils, 341: bible classes, 3: members, 32: collections, Episcopal Fund, $32 16: Society for Advancement of Christianity, $100: Missionary and other purposes, $4613: total, $4745 16.

The movements of this parish continue to be marked by a steady onward course. Each succeeding year calls for warmer praise, and more fervent gratitude, to that Being without whose blessing we labour in vain, and spend our strength for naught.

To the sympathy and kindness of his people, displayed in numberless forms, the rector of this parish is deeply indebted; his only return can be made in increasing efforts to advance their spiritual interests, that they who sow and they who reap may finally rejoice together.

An increased anxiety for the extension of the Church and the salvation of men, both at home and abroad, has pervaded the minds and hearts of the congregation during the year. Their liberality to the cause of religion, in a pledge to raise the sum of $5000, as a contribution for the current year to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary operations of the Church, has, I rejoice to say, been amply repaid in the spiritual blessings which God hath graciously bestowed upon us. Undisturbed harmony has reigned among us; many *heads of households* have allied themselves to the Church by a visible profession, and, as is believed, to Christ, the founder of that Church by a living faith. Seven *teachers* in our Sunday schools have taken upon them the vows of our holy religion, and are thus prepared by *example*, as well as precept, to instruct the children committed to their care.

The teachers of our schools and bible classes, the "circle of industry," the "Dorcas Society," the "male and female associations of the Church for the promotion of religion," continue with unvarying zeal to prosecute, in the patience of hope, and with encouraging success, their respective works of faith and labours of love.

Four young men, in connection with this parish, are pursuing a course of Theological studies, preparatory to their

entrance upon the sacred duties of the ministry; it is humbly hoped that if their lives be spared, and they shall be admitted to that holy calling, they will approve themselves faithful ministers of Christ.

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Report of the Rev. Mortimer R. Talbot, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester, and St. Martin's, Marcus Hook, both in Delaware county.

Baptisms, adults, 6: infants, 20: total, 26: confirmed, 34: communicants, added, 9: died and removed, (I think) 16: communicants, present number, about 100: marriages, 8: burials, 8: public services, on Sundays, always twice: other days, 52: total, 156: Sunday schools, 2: pupils, male, 50: female, 50: total, 100.

The spiritual condition of the Church is, the rector thinks, improving, more especially in St. Martin's parish.

A debt standing against the Church at Chester, of $380, at the solicitation of the rector, has been relinquished. That Church, consequently, is now nearly free from debt. In the last named place we are *now* erecting a suitable building for a Sunday school and lecture room.

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Report of the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D. Rector of the Church of Epiphany, in the City of Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 19: infants, 33: total, 52: confirmed, 47: communicants, added, 70: died or removed, 4: present number, 363: marriages, 14: burials, 5: Sunday schools, male, 3: teachers, 24: pupils, 209: female, 3: teachers, 25: pupils, 266: total, schools, 6: teachers, 49: pupils, 475.

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Report of the Rev. George Upfold, D.D. Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny county.

Congregation, families, about 160; baptisms, adults, 6; infants, 80; total, 86; confirmed, 34; communicants, added, 25; died or removed, 53; present number, 247; marriages, 11; burials, 43; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 50; total, 154; children catechized in Sunday school; Sunday school, male, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 58; female, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 106; total, schools, 2; teachers, 20; pupils, 164; bible classes, 1; members, in Sunday school: Collections, Episcopal Fund, $36,70; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $100; Missionary and other purposes, $568: total, $704,70.

The Rector of this Church has officiated once at Freeport, Armstrong county, and in Christ Church, Allegheny Town.

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Report of the Rev. P. Van Pelt.

During the preceding twelvemonth, my health has been more than usually imperfect. I have, however, endeavoured to labour according to the ability which God has given me.

By my record, I find, that I have preached twenty times at Churches in the city and adjoining country, six times at the Alms-House, five times at the Eastern Penitentiary, and thrice at the House of Refuge—baptized four children—officiated at one funeral—spent much time in visiting the sick—and attended the annual meeting of the "Board of Missions," at Boston, as Secretary of that body.

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Report of the Rev. E. Waylen, Rector of St. John's Church, York, York County.

Baptisms, adults, 4: infants, 8: communicants, 52: confirmed, 24: burials, 5.

The rector entered on his pastoral duties in this parish on All Saint's day, 1838, two months after the Rev. W. E. Franklin's resignation thereof; since which, 24 communicants have been added, and the Sunday school has steadily improved, both in the number of the pupils and the engagedness and efficiency of the teachers. The stated Sunday services of the sanctuary have been well attended: besides which, and a lecture on Wednesday evenings, *every day* in the ecclesiastical calender is observed by public service and a sermon appropriate to the occasion—a practice which the rector has found very effectual in attaching the young people of the congregation to the Church in her distinctive features.

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Report of the Rev. William White, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Butler, Butler county, and Trinity Church, Freeport, Armstrong co.

St. Peter's Church, Butler.

Congregation, families, 33; adults, 77; children, 62; total, 139; baptisms, infants, 10; total, 10; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 2; present number, 51; marriages, 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 4; total, 56; children catechized, times, 2; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 6; female, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 9; total, schools, 2; teachers, 5; pupils, 18; Collec-

tions, Seminary, $3,50; Missionary and other purposes, $7,50; total, $11,00.

Trinity Church, Freeport.

Congregation, families, 23; adults, 53; children, 43; total, 96; baptisms, children, 7; confirmed, 8; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 54; other days, 4; total, 58; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; scholars, 16; female, 1; teachers, 4: scholars, 18; total, schools, 2; teachers, 9; children, 34; collections, for the Theological Seminary, $6,50; other purposes, $9,25; total, $15,75.

In addition to the above services, I preached at Mercer 3 times, administered the sacrament of the Lord's supper, and baptized 3 children. I also preached 12 times at different places in the western counties.

Report of the Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, Rector of Christ Church, Pottstown, Montgomery county, and of St. Peter's Church, Phœnixville, Chester county.

Christ Church, Pottstown, Montgomery County.

Baptisms, infants, 1: congregation, families, 16: adults, 38; children, 32: total, 70: communicants, added, 3: removed by death, 1: present number, 18: public services, on Sundays, 44: other days, 4: total, 48: burials, 2: children catechized, 7: times, 2. There is a Sunday school in this place, which is taught principally by members of the church: the parents of the greater part of the children who attend this school, being members of the Lutheran church, their children do not attend our worship. An infant school is about being established in this place, to be taught in the church, which we trust will be more immediately connected with it: collections, Episcopal fund, $1 65; Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, $1 35: Convention fund, $1 66: total, $4 66.

There was established in this place, last November, an adult school, which originated with a few of the female members of the church, who cannot be too highly commended for their self-denying and persevering efforts, through the inclemency of last winter, in so laudable and benevolent an enterprize: there are at present 12 adults in regular attendance, who are not only taught to read, but are also instructed in religious truths: in the exercises of this school, the book of common prayer is used, and we sincerely trust that it may be the

means of the spiritual improvement of all who attend this school. There was an effort made some time back, to establish in this parish, a Female Missionary Society, but meeting with no encouragement, it was abandoned as impracticable: one of the objects had in view in the establishment of such a society, was, a desire, if possible, to bring the female members of this parish more together, and thus to create amongst them a closer bond of christian fellowship and feeling.

St. Peter's Church, Phœnixville, Chester County.

This church was organized last summer, and made in connection with the church at Pottstown, a missionary station, under the auspices of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania: connected with this church there are families, 7: adults, 22: children, 6: public services, on Sundays, 42. The services of this church are held in a very small and inconvenient school house, and too far removed from the village for the attendance of many who might be disposed to attend the services. The erection of a suitable building for public worship, has been in agitation for some time; but no definite action has as yet taken place, notwithstanding the missionary has repeatedly urged upon those more immediately interested, the necessity of erecting, as soon as possible, a suitable and convenient building for public worship, in order to the increase and prosperity of this parish.

In addition to the above services, the minister has also officiated on Sundays 12 times, in St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin, and on week days 3 times.

Report of the Rev. C. Wiltberger, late Rector of Emanuel Church, Kensington.

As I have so recently resigned the Rectorship of this parish, and laboured through nearly the whole of the conventional year, I send you an account of those labours. My parochial duties were as follows:

Baptisms, infants, 34; adults, 1: burials, 15: marriages, 3: confirmations, 6; communicants added, 10: removed, 3: present number, 34: families, added, 14: present number, 31: public services on Sunday, 104: other days, 51; total, 155: children catechised, about 50, 10 times: Sunday schools, male, 1; female, 1: teachers, male, 5: female, 6: pupils, male, 60: female, 60.

The church was consecrated to the worship of Almighty

God, by the Bishop of the Diocese, on the 4th of last June, since which there has been a gradual increase of the congregation. Though the difficulties in establishing the church in that district were great; the discouragements many; the trials sometimes painfully severe; still, by persevering effort, in reliance upon Divine aid, that object has been accomplished. The word preached has not been in vain, but mighty, through God, to the pulling down of some of the strong holds of Satan. A vine has here been planted, which by the blessing of God, will grow, and flourish, and thrive; and many in that district, it is to be hoped, will be refreshed by the fruit thereof.

The cost of the building was $4400, all of which, with the exception of $500, has been paid; this sum has been advanced by several members of the vestry, to be refunded. It is a source of great satisfaction to me, that this church has been left in able and proper hands, that it has no heavy debt hanging over it, and that all things are prepared, to enable the present incumbent to progress in his important charge.

The Rev. James Wiltbank, Chaplain of the U. S Navy,

Respectfully reports, that, for several months succeeding last Convention, he was occupied in assisting his son, at Westchester and Concord. But being informed that the church at Hamiltonville was vacated by the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Breintnall, he proffered his services, and officiated in the same, till the introduction of the Rev. Richard D. Hall, the present Rector.

That on the termination of his leave of absence, on the 1st of October, he was ordered to the Naval Asylum, on the borders of this city. Since that period he has regularly officiated there every Sunday morning, and he hopes, from the devout attention and exemplary deportment of the officers and sailors attached to the station, with a happy effect.

He has attended 5 funerals of officers and men of the naval corps: celebrated two marriages: baptized two children, and occasionally assisted his brethren in their more laborious duties.

List of the Congregations in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

ADAMS COUNTY.

Huntingdon township—Christ Church.

ALLEGHANY COUNTY.

City of Pittsburgh—Trinity Church, and St. Andrew's Church.

Alleghany—Christ Church.

Lawrenceville—St. John's Church.

Laceyville—St. Paul's Church.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Kittaning—St. Paul's Church.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Georgetown—Georgetown Church.

BERKS COUNTY.

Amity township (Morlattin)—St. Gabriel's Church.

Reading—Christ Church.

Morgantown—St. Thomas' Church.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Pike—St. Matthew's Church.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Bristol—St. James' the Greater's Church.

Newtown—St. Luke's Church.

Yardleyville—St. Andrew's Church.

Hulmeville—Grace Church.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Butler—St. Peter's Church.

CENTRE COUNTY.

Phillipsburgh—Trinity Church.

Bellefonte—St. John's Church.*

CHESTER COUNTY.

New London township—St. John's Church.

East Nantmeal township—St. Mary's Church.

Great Valley—St. Peter's Church.

Pequea township—St. John's Church.

West Whiteland township—St. Paul's Church.

West Vincent—St. Andrew's Church.

Honeybrook—St. Mark's Church.

West Chester—Church of Holy Trinity.

* Admitted into union at the Convention of 1808.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Sugarloaf township—St. Gabriel's Church.
Bloomsburgh—St. Paul's Church.
Madison—Jerseytown—Christ Church.
Danville—Christ Church.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Meadville—Christ Church.
Rockville—Trinity Church.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Carlisle—St. John's Church.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Harrisburgh—St. Stephen's Church.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Chester—St. Paul's Church.
Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook—St. Martin's Church.
Concord township—St. John's Church.
Newtown township—Radnor—St. David's Church.
Rockdale—Calvary Church.

ERIE COUNTY

Erie—St. Paul's Church.
Waterford—St. Peter's Church.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Brownsville—Christ Church.
Manalen—Grace Church.
Connelsville—Trinity Church.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

Huntingdon—St. John's Church.

INDIANA COUNTY.

Blairsville—St. Peter's Church.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

City of Lancaster—St. James' Church.
Leacock township—Christ Church.
Caernarven township, Churchtown—Bangor Church.
Marietta—Zion Church.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Wilkes-barre—St. Stephen's Church.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Muncey—St. James' Church.

MERCER COUNTY.

St. John's Church.

MIFFLIN COUNTY.

Lewistown—St. Mark's Church.

Thompsontown—St. Stephen's Church.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Whitemarsh township—St. Thomas' Church.
Perkiomen township—St. James' Church.
Norristown—St. John's Church.
Pottstown—Christ Church.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Easton—Trinity Church.
Mauch Chunk—St. Mark's Church.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Milton—Christ Church.
Sunbury—St. Matthew's Church.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

The city of Philadelphia—Christ Church, St. Peter's Church, St. James' Church, St. Paul's Church, St. Stephen's Church, St. Andrew's Church, Grace Church, All Soul's Church, the Church of the Epiphany, the Church of the Ascension, and St. Luke's Church.*
Northern Liberties—St. John's Church.
Southwark—Trinity Church.
Francisville—St. Matthew's Church.
Lower Dublin township—All Saints' Church.
Oxford township—Trinity Church.
Germantown—St. Luke's Church.
Blockley township, Mantua—St. Mark's Church.
Kensington—Emmanuel Church.
West Philadelphia—St. Mary's Church.
Manayunk—St. David's Church.
Spring Garden—Zion Church.
Moyamensing—All Saints' Church.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Pottsville—St. Luke's Church, and Trinity Church.
Schuylkill Haven—St. James' Church.*

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Springville—St. Jude's Church, and St. Andrew's Church.
New Milford—St. Mark's Church.
Montrose—St. Paul's Church.

VENANGO COUNTY.

Franklin—St. John's Church.
Venango Furnace—St. James' Church.

* Admitted into union at the Convention of 1839.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Pike Run township—St. Peter's Church.

WAYNE COUNTY.

Dyberry parish—Embracing Grace Church, Honesdale, and Truth Church, Bethany.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Greensburgh—Christ Church.

YORK COUNTY.

York—St. John the Baptist's Church.

There is also in Philadelphia, St. Thomas' (African) Church, not in union with the Convention. Total, 101.

A LIST

Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Canonically resident in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

MAY 21st, 1839.

The Right Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., Philadelphia.

The Rev. William Adderly, Missionary at Fallstown, and St. Paul's church, Beaver county.

The Rev. Frederick W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. Samuel Bowman, Rector of St. James' Church, Lancaster.

The Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, N.L., Philadelphia.

The Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rector of Zion Church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia.

The Rev. William Bryant, Missionary at Moyamensing, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, Rector of St. John's Church, Pequea, Chester county; and Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county.

The Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, East Nantmeal, Chester county; St. Thomas' Church, Morgan-

town, Berks county; and Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster county.

The Rev. John A. Clark, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.

The Rev. John Coleman, Rector of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rector of Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county.

The Rev. Robert Davis, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. George C. Drake, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburgh; and Missionary at other places in Columbia county.

The Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, D. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Walter E. Franklin, Deacon, Missionary at Honesdale and Bethany, Wayne county.

The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette county; and Missionary at Pike Run, Washington county.

The Rev. Patrick Henry Greenleaf, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland county.

The Rev. William Hilton, Missionary at St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland, and St. Peter's Church, Great Valley, Chester county.

The Rev. John J. Kerr, Missionary at Uniontown and Connelsville, Fayette county.

The Rev. Bryan B. Killikelly, Missionary at Kittaning, and Wayne Township, Armstrong county.

The Rev. George Kirke, Missionary at Yardleyville and Hulmeville, Bucks county.

The Rev. William B. Lacey, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Laceyville, Pittsburgh.

The Rev. Freeman Lane, Missionary at Springville, Susquehanna county; and Pike, Bradford county.

The Rev. Samuel T. Lord, Missionary at New Milford, Susquehanna county.

The Rev. Alfred Louderback, Missionary at Danville, Columbia county, and Sunbury, Northumberland county.

The Rev. James May, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Tobias Harpur Mitchell, M. D., Missionary at Mercer, and parts adjacent, Mercer county.

The Rev. Alfred A. Miller, Deacon, Rector of Trinity Church, Pottsville, Schuylkill county.

The Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, and St. Mark's Church, Honeybrook, Chester county.

The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Reading, Berks county.

The Rev. Henry J. Morton, Rector of St. James' Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. George W. Natt, Missionary at Belle-Fonte, and parts adjacent, Centre county.

The Rev. William S. Perkins, Rector of St. James' Church, Bristol, Bucks county.

The Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Newtown, Bucks county.

The Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Northampton county.

The Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. Isaac Smith, Missionary at Muncy and Williamsport, Lycoming county, and Derry, Columbia county.

The Rev. William Suddards, Rector of Grace church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Mortimer R. Talbot, Rector of St. Martin's church, Marcus Hook, and St. Paul's church, Chester, Delaware county.

The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D. Rector of the church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

The Rev. George Upfold, D. D. Rector of Trinity church, Pittburgh.

The Rev. William White, Missionary at Butler, Butler county, and Freeport, Armstrong county.

The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D. Professor in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Rev. Edwin Wilson Wiltbank, Rector of St. John's church, Concord, Delaware county.

The Rev. James Wiltbank, Chaplain in the Navy of the United States.

LIST CONTINUED.

The Rev. Joseph Adderly, Deacon, Missionary at Red Bank, and parts adjacent, Armstrong county.

The Rev. Charles W. Andrews, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Pittsburgh.

The Rev. Pierre Teller Babbit, Rector of St. Paul's church, Erie, Erie county.

The Rev. Charles Breck, Deacon, Missionary at Wellsborough, and parts adjacent, Tioga county.

The Rev. Richard F. Burnham, Missionary at Mauch Chunk, and parts adjacent, Northampton county.

The Rev. William James Clark, Rector of St. Stephen's church, Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne county.

The Rev. Christian F. Crusé, D. D. Principal of the Abbeville Institute, near Lancaster.

The Rev. Richard D. Hall, Rector of St. Mary's church, Hamiltonville, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. Joshua L. Harrison, Rector of Christ church, Greensburgh, Westmoreland county.

The Rev. Charles Vernon Kelly, Rector of St. Stephen's church, Harrisburgh, Dauphin county.

The Rev. Francis H. L. Laird, Missionary at Georgetown, Beaver county.

The Rev. Alfred Lee, Rector of Calvary church, Rockdale, Delaware county.

The Rev. John Linn McKim, Missionary at Carbondale, Luzerne county; and Dundaff, Susquehanna county.

The Rev. John H. Marsden, Principal of the (incorporated) Female Academy, at Gettysburg, Adams county.

The Rev. John Gordon Maxwell, Deacon, Rector of Emanuel church, Kensington, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Willie Peck, Rector of St. David's (Radnor,) church, Newton, Delaware county.

The Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. John's church, Norristown, Montgomery county.

The Rev. Edward Waylen, Rector of St. John the Baptist's church, York, York county.

The Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, Missionary at Pottstown, Montgomery county, and Phœnixville, Chester county.

The Rev. Charles H. Alden, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Thomas G. Allen, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Robert Ayres, Franklin, Venango county.

The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, near Gray's Ferry, Assistant Minister of the Swedes' church, Kingsessing.

The Rev. Jehu C. Clay, Southwark, Philadelphia, Rector of the Swedes churches.

The Rev. William N. Diehl, Germantown, Assistant Minister of the Swedes' church at Upper Merion.

The Rev. William Douglass, (a coloured man,) Rector of St. Thomas' (African) church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Nathaniel Sayre Harris, Rector of the church of the Evangelists, Southwark, Philadelphia.

The Rev. William S. Hinds, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Nicholas Hoppin, Assistant to the Rector of St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, teacher of the Hebrew language, Philadelphia.

The Rev. William H. Odenheimer, Deacon, officiating temporarily in St. Peter's church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Charles E. Pleasants, Montrose, Susquehannah county.

The Rev. William H. Rees, near the Paoli, Chester county.

The Rev. John Reynolds.

The Rev. Edward Rice, M. D., Deacon, Bethlehem, Northampton county.

The Rev. Oliver A. Shaw, Deacon, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Philadelphia, Secretary to the Board of Missions of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Rev. Thomas West, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Charles Williams, D. D. Philadelphia.

The foregoing list, containing the names of ninety-one clergymen, is corrected to this date.

In conformity with Canon XIV. Sect. I.

H. U. ONDERDONK.

Philad. May 21st, 1839.

MEMORANDUM.

The fifty-one clergymen first named in this list, are entitled to seats in the Convention, on May 21st, 1839.

The nineteen clergymen first named in the "List continued," will be entitled to seats in the Convention in May, 1840, or previously, if they remain in their respective stations, or take such others as are recognized by the Constitution.

H. U. O.

The Rev. William N. Pendleton, of the diocese of Delaware, is employed as a missionary at New London ⋈ Roads, and West Marlborough, Chester county.

The Rev. George P. Hopkins, missionary at Montrose, has applied for Letters of Dismission from the diocese of Maryland, but the Standing Committee (now the "ecclesiastical authority" there) not having met, could not yet obtain them.

1838			
May 19	To cash paid the following Clergy towards their actual expenses in attending Convention, viz:		
	Rev. R. U. Morgan,	$4 20	
	Thos. Crumpton,	30 00	
	N. Stem,	6 60	
	B. B. Killikelly,	24 00	
	J. V. E. Thorne,	8 40	
	Dr. Upfold,	19 20	
	Isaac Smith,	12 00	
	G. C. Drake,	10 70	
	Geo. Mintzer,	2 40	
	W. E. Franklin,	5 00	
	E. Y. Buchanan,	3 60	
	Freeman Lane,	13 80	
	L. N. Freeman,	26 40	
	John Reynolds,	1 20	
	W. Adderly,	21 60	
	J. F. Hoff,	9 00	
	J. J. Kerr,	26 40	
	J. Rogers,	5 00	
	Being 60 per cent of their actual expenses.		229 50
28	To cash paid Secretary of Standing Committee, postage account,		1 50
June 1	To cash paid for printing notices and circulars relating to the meeting of Convention, &c.		11 00
	To cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, account of expenses in Episcopal visitations in April and May,		56 73
Aug. 17	To cash paid R. F. Hill for services, &c., attending the Convention in St. Andrew's church,		20 50
	To cash remitted Rev. Dr. Anthon, New York, the quota due by the diocese of Pennsylvania for contingent expenses of the General Convention for 1837 and 1838,		83 00
Nov. 6	To cash paid for new Minute Book,		2 00
1839			
Feb. 8	To cash paid J. Harding for printing,		5 50
March 7	To cash paid W. Stavely do.		6 00
May 3	To cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, expenses in Episcopal visitations, viz:		
	Account for June to Nov. 1838,		106 82
	Do. Dec. 1838 and Jan., Feb., and March 1839,		58 00
	Do. April 1839,		23 20
	Postage,		14
	Loss on uncurrent money,		1 07
	Balance,		85 19
			$690 15

We have examined the above account and find it correct.

HENRY W. DUCACHET, } Committee.
HENRY J. MORTON, }

Philadelphia, May 14, 1839.

in Pennsylvania, in acc't with Tobias Wagner, Treasurer. *Cr.*

1838			
May 8	By balance of former account,		7 66
14	By cash received of St. Paul's church, Philadelphia,		33 60
15	St. Andrew's, Philadelphia,		40 00
	St. David's, Manayunk,		2 00
16	St. John's, Northern Liberties,		7 22
	St. Martin's, Marcus Hook,	5 00	
	St. Andrew's, Springfield,	1 00	
	St. Matthew's, Pike,	50	
	St. John's, Concord,	5 00	
	St. John's, Norristown,	5 00	
	Christ, Meadville,	8 00	
	Christ, Huntington,	5 00	
	St. James', Perkiomen,	4 18	
	St. John's, York,	3 16	
	St. John's, Carlisle,	5 00	
	Trinity, Easton,	5 00	
	St. James', Muncy,	5 00	
	St. Mark's, Lewistown,	2 50	
	St. Luke's, Germantown	8 50	
	St. Thomas', Morgantown,	1 70	
	Trinity, Oxford,	4 77	
	St. Mary's, Chester co.	1 33	
	St. Paul's, Bloomsbury,	4 16	
	St. Gabriel's Sugar Loaf,	2 26	
	Christ, Jerseytown,	3 50	
	Bangor, Churchtown,	5 12	
	St. Luke's, Georgetown,	2 00	
	St. Paul's, Beaver co.	2 00	
	St. Peter's, Beaver co.	4 00	
	St. David's, Newtown,	3 67	
	St. Paul's, Kittanning,	4 00	
	Trinity, Pottsville,	5 00	
	St. Andrew's, West Vincent,	5 00	
	St. Mark's, Honeybrook,	2 00	
	All Saints', Philadelphia co.	10 30	
	Trinity, Pittsburgh,	20 00	
	Christ, Brownville,	9 09	
	St. John's, Pequea,	5 00	
	Christ, Leacock,	5 51	
	St. James', Lancaster,	11 71	
17	Christ, Reading,	5 00	
	St. John's, New London,	2 50	
	Waterford,	3 29	
	St. Stephen's, Harrisburgh,	5 00	
19	Trinity, Connelsville,	5 00	
			195 75
26	St. James', Bristol,		6 98
June 1	St. James', Philada. collection for 1838,		35 00
22	Calvary, Rockdale,		5 00
Aug. 18	Christ, Philadelphia,		50 00
1839			
March	Epiphany, Philadelphia, for 1839,		61 94
April 22	Trinity, Southwark,		20 00
29	St. Andrew's, Philadelphia,		40 00
May 2	St. John's, York,		10 00
3	St. Stephen's, Philada. collection for 1839,		50 00
	St. Peter's, do.		65 00
	St. James', do.		60 00
			690 15
7	By balance,		85 19

Errors excepted.

Philadelphia, May 7, 1839. TOBIAS WAGNER, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *Episcopal Fund in account with*

1838		
May 29	To cash paid William Davidson & Son, for $253 52 Pennsylvania 5 per cent. Stock of 1853, at 102 per cent.	$258 59
Sept. 22	To cash paid same for $139 91, Pennsylvania 5 per cent. Stock of 1854, at 104½ per cent.	146 20
1839		
May 2	To cash paid same for $138, of Pennsylvania 5 per cent. Stock of 1856 at par.	138 00
	Balance,	37
		$543 16
1838		
August 2	To amount paid to the Right Reverend H. U. Onderdonk, Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,	406 39
1839		
Feb. 5	To amount paid to the Right Reverend H. U. Onderdonk, Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,	409 89
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,	37
		$816 65

The undersigned, appointed by the Standing Committee, do certify that we have examined the foregoing account, and find the same correct.—We have also examined the certificates of Stock in which the Fund is invested, and find that the sum amounts to sixteen thousand five hundred and thirty-three dollars and forty-seven cents.

BENJAMIN DORR,
TOBIAS WAGNER, } Committee.

Philadelphia, May 14th, 1839.

1838				
May 8	By balance,			42
" 16	By Cash received from Trinity church, Pittsburg,	29	53	
	St. Mary's church, Chester co.	2	25	
	Trinity, Easton, Northampton co.	5	00	
	All Saints' church, Philad.	9	04	
	St. James', Muncy, Lycoming co.	1	61	
	St. John's, Northern Liberties,	10	00	
	St. James', Perkiomen,	5	33	
	St. David's, Newtown, Delaware co.	2	50	
	Trinity church, Oxford,	3	39	
	St. Thomas's, Morgantown, Berks co.	1	72	
	St. Mark's, Lewistown,	5	00	
	Bangor church, Churchtown,	1	13	
	St. Mark's, Honeybrook, Chester co.	2	00	
	St. Andrew's, West Vincent,	5	75	
	Christ church, Leacock,	3	60	
	St. John's, Pequea,	3	80	
	St. James', Lancaster,	34	20	
" 17	Christ church, Reading,	7	50	
	St. Stephen's, Harrisburgh,	4	86	
				137 71
	St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia,			61 57
" 29	St. Peter's church, do.			50 00
	St. Paul's church, do.			13 96
June 5	St. James' church, do.			86 90
" 18	Dyberry, Wayne co., by the hands of the Bishop,			5 00
July 6	Christ church, Philadelphia,			50 53
1839				
March 27	Church of the Epiphany,			32 99
April 22	Church of the Ascension,			10 00
" 23	St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia,			50 00
May 1	St. Andrew's, do.			44 08
				$543 16
1838				
Aug. 1	By six months' interest of Pennsylvania State 5 per cents. belonging to the Episcopal Fund,			406 39
1839				
Feb. 4	By six months' interest on Pennsylvania State 5 per cents. belonging to the Episcopal Fund,			409,89
	Balance brought over,			37
				$816 65
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,			37

PHILIP H. NICKLIN,
Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund.

Philadelphia May 6th, 1839.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

Stock bought for the Episcopal Fund.

1838 May 29. $253 52 Penn. 5 per cent. stock, redeemable in 1853, at 102 per cent. $258 59

1838 Sept. 21, $139 91 Penn. 5 per cent stock, redeemable in 1854, at 104½ per cent. $146 20

1839 May 2, $138 Pennsylvania 5 per cent stock, redeemable in 1858, at par. $138 00

Transferred to John Read, Thomas Hale, James S. Smith and Philip H. Nicklin, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

Received Payment, WM. DAVIDSON & SON.

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is invested in five per cent. Stock, of the State of Pennsylvania, and amounts at this time, to Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty-three Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents.

JOHN READ,
JAMES S. SMITH,
PHILIP H. NICKLIN,
Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.